Resolutions on the death of Arthur C. Gould.

In memoriam A. C. Gould

Resolved: That the Directors of the Massachusetts Rifle Association desire to express their deep sense of sorrow and loss at the untimely death of Arthur Corbin Gould.
He was a valued Director of the Association for some years also a life member and during his residence in our midst was ever ready with counsel and personal effort to further the interests of the Association.
In later years when we were deprived of his weekly visits to our range he left a void in our ranks which has never been filled.
We wish above all to pay tribute to his sterling qualities of manhood, his kindness of heart and the deep love and respect he inspired in those whose pleasure it was to know him.
Resolved: That the Secretary be instructed to send a copy of these resolutions to the family of our departed brother together with an expression of our deepest sympathy for their irreparable loss.

John Taylor Humphrey
Sec. Pro. tem.

Walnut Hill Dec 26, 1903

A special meeting of the Directors was held at the Range today. Present Messrs. Chase, Hinman, Bell, Merrill, Hale, Niedner, Gleason, Busfield, Patridge, Kelley, Humphrey.
President Chase in the Chair.
Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
Report of Nominating Com'm. read by Mr. Merrill.

Special committee on matches

Report of special comm. on matches read by Mr. Hale and accepted.
Voted: That a vote of thanks be given Mr. Hale for his efficient service as chairman of the Special Match Com'm.

300 & 1000 yd ranges and notice to Col. White.

Voted: That the question of a 300 yard range of additional targets at 1000 yards and of all military rifle medal matches be laid on the table until such time as the State authorities have determined on their rules for 1904.
Voted: That Col. White be notified to this effect and also that he be notified that we are ready to put in two additional targets at 1000 yards and four at 300 yards if it shall appear that there will surely be demand for same.

election of member.

Admitted to membership subject to approval of membership comm:
Dwight Frederic Boyden. Age 43. Algonquin Club. Boston. Proposed by Messrs. Bell & Hinman.

committee on death of A. C. Gould

A special com'm. Messrs. Kelley and Humphrey was named by the chair to draw up suitable resolutions and send same to the family of the late A. C. Gould.
Meeting adjourned.

John Taylor Humphrey.
Sec. Pro. tem.

Tiffin Club. Jan 5, 1904.

Regular monthly meeting of the Directors held today.

11. Present, Messrs. Chase, Baker, Hinman, Bell, Merrill, Gleason, Brinsfield, Patridge, Coombs, Kelley, Humphrey.

Pres. Chase in the chair.

Report of last meeting read and accepted.

Voted on motion of Mr. Merrill.

match E etc kept open to members

That Match E, Military Conditions, and Match F be open to members during 1904 under same conditions as in 1903, the Springfield and Lee rifles of .45 cal. being admitted.

Statistical officer to report by Jan 20

Voted: That the Statistical Officer be requested to turn in his report not later than Jan 20, in order to expedite the publication of the annual report.

Meeting adjourned.

John Taylor Humphrey
Sec. pro tem.

Tiffin Club. Jan 19, 1904.

Special meeting of the Directors held today.

12. Present. Messrs. Chase, Baker, Merrill, Bell, Hale, Blair, Hinman, Coombs, Patridge, Eastman, Kelley, Humphrey.

Vice-Pres. Patridge in the chair.

Minutes of last meeting read and accepted.

election of president

Meeting then proceeded to ballot for president. The committee Messrs. Blair, Hale, + Bell reported that Mr. Chase had received ten votes. On motion of Mr. Hale his election was made unanimous.

President Chase then took the chair.

election of officers

The following officers were elected, the secretary being instructed by the Board to cast one ballot for each

R. S. Hale Executive Officer.
W. F. Spencer. Statistical Officer
J. E. Leach Counsellor

President Chase was elected a committee of one to bring in a list of committees and present same at the next meeting.

committee on bylaws

A committee of Messrs. Humphrey + Hale was instructed to report to the Directors the changes in the By laws since its publication in 1900.

index to secretaries record

Voted: That the secretary be requested to keep in the record books of the Association an index of the business transacted at all meetings of the Association and of the Directors.

committee on annual report

On motion of Mr. Humphrey Pres. Chase appointed Messrs. Merrill, Humphrey + Patridge a special committee in charge of the publication of the annual report.

A general discussion then ensued and it was the sense of the majority that a full report of the years matches was desireable. It was suggested that the portion of

discussion on annual report

the annual report in regard to permanent matches should be put in such form as to be readily stereotyped for future use.

Voted: No shot shall be questioned so

'questioning' shots.

as to delay the shooting beyond once remarking a shot by bell signal except on deposit of 5 cents which shall be returned if questioning is sustained. If the question is not sustained the deposit shall form a fund to be shot for in single shot pools at discretion of prize committee. Scorers must not use telephone.

Meeting adjourned.

John Taylor Humphrey
Sec. pro. tem.

Feb. 2nd 04

Tiffin Club Feb. 2 1904

Regular monthly meeting held today. Present

8. Pres. Chase presiding, also Bell, Hinman, Baker Coombs, Hale, Merrill and Blair.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. In absence of Hutchinson and Humphrey, Hale was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Committees for 1904

Pres. Chase announced his nomination for committees for the ensuing year as follows

Executive	Chase, Eastman, Humphrey Kelley Patridge
Finance.	Coombs Merrill Busfield
Range	Chase, Merrill Wedner
Membership	Hutchinson Blair Gleason
Prize.	Kelley Hale Coombs
Offhand	Eastman Busfield Humphrey
Rest	Patridge Baker Chase
Pistol	Patridge Bell Hale
Trap Shooting Prize	Gleason Hinman Nash

These being the same as for 1903 with the substitution of Blair for Foster. The same were accepted by the directors.

Mr. Merrill for committee on annual report

Annual report.

submitted a form showing several changes and improvements, and it was voted that the same be approved and and that Mr. Merrill be authorized to proceed with the issuing of the report and to have such pages stereo- or electro-typed as he shall think wise.

A discussion then ensued as to the printing of in the

Printing in report names of members in arrears.

report of the names of members in arrears for dues, and it was voted that the Treasurer and Mr. Merrill be authorized to print the names this year according to the custom of the past years.

A discussion ensued as to the statistical officer having

Checking printing of the shooting tickets

the tickets printed instead of the Treasurer, as provided in Bylaws IV, 3. p. 9. It was the sense of the meeting that the bylaw was sufficient, but that the Treasurer and Statistical officer could devise some better method of carrying it out than at present in use.

Meeting adjourned
R. S. Hale Secy Pro. tem.

March 1st 04

Tiffin Club 3/1/04

Rates for letting 9. targets.

Regular monthly meeting, present Kelley, Bell, Hale Busfield Blair Hinman Merrill, Baker Nash. In absence of the President Mr Kelley was elected chairman.

Rules III. Rates for letting targets were established as follows.

1 Mid range and short (200 yd) range targets

Members of the M.R.A. 50 cts per hour, any number of shooters

2 Nonmembers except guests of members will be charged 50 cts per hour each when shooting on targets let to members

3 Nonmembers not members of the N.V.M. $1 per hour for one shooter and $1.25 per hour for more than one shooter.

4 Members of the N.V.M. $1 per hour, any number of shooters

Long range targets

Long range targets will be charged for at a rate 50% ...

excess of rates charged for midrange or short range targets

75 & 100 yd range

The use of this range will be considered as equivalent to the use of one 200 yd target and charged for accordingly.

50 yd range

The use of one shooting booth and two targets at this range will be considered as equivalent to the use of one 200 yd. target and charged for accordingly

20 & 25 yd range

The use of this range will be considered as equivalent to the use of one 200 yd target and charged for accordingly.

Charge will be made for at least one hour whenever targets are opened except at 75 yards or less when minimum charge will be for one half hour

Shooting Rules. Case of target being moved just as shot is fired.

IV §11 to be added

If the target be moved or withdrawn just as a shot is fired otherwise than as provided for in the conditions of the match the Executive officer if satisfied that such was the case and on evidence from the score keeper or an independent witness may allow another shot. The competitor must make his claim for another shot to the scorekeeper immediately after the occurrence without waiting for the shot to be signalled.

Hudsons letter on Seagirt matters

A letter from Dr. Hudson to Mr. Hale was read referring to matters at the Seagirt meeting. It was the sense of the meeting that no official action should be taken in regard to the same unless the matter should be officially brought before the association. ~~The feeling of those present was that so far as they understood the case, Dr. Hudson had been hardly treated~~ deletion of twenty words by vote April 5th.

Hinman hunting rifle match

Major Hinman presented a report on a hunting rifle match which was accepted and it was voted that such a match be put on for April 19th.

Williams of Lowell

In regard to a Mr. Williams of Lowell whose application for membership was thought to be in the hands of some member of the board not present, it was voted that on receipt of the application the statistical officer should admit Mr. Williams to all the privileges of membership until the board should act on his application.

Adjourned. R. S. Hale Sec. pro tem.

April 5/04

11. Regular meeting at Tiffin Club. Present Chase Hinman Bell Merrill Frye Partridge Gleason Blair Hale Kelley Baker. Records of March 1st were read corrected and approved as corrected.

elections

C. A. Hardy elected to membership

George Walker elected to membership

committee on records

Moved chair to appoint committee to report what are our present rules as to records and record cups and what changes are desirable if any, to consist of president and two or more members who have never won records cup. President Chase appointed Busfield and Hale.

padding of reports of matches

Voted, that hereafter in the reported scores the padding by use of extra names shall not be used to place a shooter lower in the list than he is entitled to be placed by his scores.

Voted to establish medal matches as follows

Match F. to open April 19th. subject to change after 1904

Matches F and F.F for military rifle short and midrange

Distance 200 yds Position standing. Open to members of the M.R.A using any military rifle M.R.A rules, any ammunition, and to members of the M.V.M. using U.S. service rifle as issued by the state for qualifications in 1904 fixed ammunition with smokeless powder. Target 3rd class Entry 25 cts for each 10 shot score. Prizes as follows

1st Gold military rifle medal for 10 scores of 48 or better

2nd Gold and silver " " " " " " 46 " "

3rd Silver " " " " " " 44 " "

4th silver and bronze military rifle medal for 10 scores of 42 or better
5th bronze " " " " " " 40 " "

also Match FF. to open April 19th subject to change after 1904

Rifle and ammunition as in Match F. position prone with head towards target. Target U.S. 2nd class 20 inch bullseye. Entry 30 cts for each 10 shot score

Prizes as follows

1st Gold midrange military rifle medal for 5 scores of 50 at 500 yds and 5 scores of 48 or better at 600 yds

2nd Gold and silver midrange military rifle medal for 5 scores of 48 or better at 500 yds and 5 scores of 46 or better at 600 yds

3rd silver medal midrange military rifle medal for 5 scores of 46 or better at 500 yds and 5 scores of 44 or better at 600 yds

4th silver and bronze midrange military rifle medal for 10 scores of 43 or better at either 500 or 600 yds

5th bronze midrange military rifle medal for 10 scores of 40 or better at 500 or 600 yds.

In both matches F and FF rifles without any peep sight allowed 1 pt per score.

~~Adjourned. R.S. Hale. Secy pro tem.~~

Match H and elliptical target abolished after 1904 — Voted that after 1904 match H be entirely abolished and that the elliptical target be entirely abolished in match L. and that notice to this effect be sent out when the notices for the summer matches are sent out so that members who are now entitled to shoot in match H and on the elliptical target in match L may do so before the close of the year.

Adjourned. R.S. Hale secretary pro tem.

May 3rd 04

Regular meeting at Tiffin Club. Present Chase Hinman

10 Busfield Merrill Bell Hale Baker Eastman, and after lunch Coombs and Kelley. Records of previous meeting read and approved.

Pres Chase reported for committee on record cups, which report was read discussed and left to be put in con... own for action at next meeting.

Statistical Officer's duties. — Voted, that it shall be the duty of the statistical officer to be present at the range from arrival of passengers on the 9.25 train on regular shooting days of the association except ~~holidays~~ Wednesdays and at all times when the range is open ~~except~~ on holidays. He shall keep himself informed of the conditions of all matches and shall jointly with the secretary, have charge of the bulletin board at the range, and shall keep posted there announcements of matches and other notices pertaining to the use of the range.

Adjourned. R.S. Hale Secy pro tem.

June 7th 1904.

Regular meeting at Tiffin Club. Present -

7. Messrs Chase - Hinman - Bell - Baker - Kelley - Merrill - Blair. Records of Previous Meetings read and approved.

Pres. Chase reported three letters rec'd.

Resig. of Mr. Humphrey — Resignation of Mr. Humphrey from the Board of Directors.

Letter from Mr J.E. Dorman of Ohio concerning his handicap in Summer matches of Mass. Rifle assoc. for 1904.

Letter from J. B. Crabtree - Secy. ~~Nat.~~ United States Rev. Assoc. concerning officers to be appointed by the M.R.A. to attest Targets of the ~~N.~~ U.S. R. A.

Voted - That Mr John Taylor Humphrey's resignation from the Board be accepted with ~~resignation~~ regret.

Lynch in place of Humphrey — Voted - That Mr Jerome E. Lynch be elected a member of the Board of Directors vice John T. Humphrey - resigned.

Voted that the President - Statistical Officer, and Executive officer, of the M.R.A. be authorized to attest any Targets of the U. S. Revolver Assoc. Which may be Shot

at Walnut Hill Range.

To attest Targets. Nat. Revolver Assoc.

Voted – that the rearranging of Committees on acct of Mr Humphrey's resignation be left to Pres. Chase to be reported at the next meeting.

Voted – That report of committee on Record cups as read and amended, be accepted.

The Amendments to the Report are as follows.

"To be added to the list of meritorious performances –

added to list of Meritorious Performances.

– List of Consecutive bullseyes on Standard Am. Target – Offhand.

– List of Consecutive bullseyes (Twelves) on Standard American Target at Rest.

– List of ~~Standard American~~ Consecutive Bullseyes on ~~Standard American~~ Columbia Target (ones) at Rest.

Record Cups.

Record cups will be given to any member exceeding the best on record or making a perfect score in any of the following matches; provided the score is made in a regular match, on a ticket calling for the full number of shots and no more, and when possible in the presence of at least one ~~meber~~ member of the association besides the scorer and marker. Whenever possible, and especially so when scores are shot with [illegible] few witnesses, the original targets should be submitted with [illegible] other evidence as may be called for. Records at the 50 yard range must in all cases be made each 10 or less shots on a clean target.

[illegible] person will be given more than one cup for the same set of conditions, but if a cup holder equal or exceed the record, the fact will be engraved on his cup.

10 shots German ring target

200 yards offhand military rifle 10 shots Creedmoor target

50 yards pistol 10 shots standard target

100 shots standard target

50 yards revolver 10 shots standard target

200 yards rest conditions 10 shots standard target

Meritorious Performances.

The following are recognised as meritorious performances and in the past record cups have been given for some. No cups will be given in the future, but a list will be kept of performances equalling or exceeding the best previously recorded if the score be made under the conditions called for in the record cup list

Any rifle offhand 200 yards 3 shots German ring target

50 shots German ring target

100 shots German ring target

100 shots standard target

3 shots Columbia target

10 shots Columbia target

50 shots Columbia target

Any Rifle N.R.A. rules 10 shots standard target

Any rifle without telescope 10 shots standard target

Pistol 50 yards.

50 shots standard target

3 shots Columbia target

10 shots Columbia target

Revolver 50 yards 50 shots standard target

60 shots standard target

100 shots standard target

10 shots Columbia target

Military revolver 10 shots standard target

50 shots standard target first shot

At [illegible], 6 shots in a minute from ~~command~~ command standard target

6 shots in 15 seconds from command

10 shots at rate of 5 in 10 seconds from command

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Meritorious Performances. (Continued)

List of Consecutive Bullseyes on Standard American Target, — Offhand.

List of Consecutive "Twelves" on Standard American Target, at rest.

List of Consecutive "Ones" on Columbia Target, at rest.

Hunting Rifle Match. Major Hinman reported the conditions for a Hunting Rifle Match, to be open the remainder of the Calendar Year.

$50 for Schuetzen Bund Matches. 1904. Voted — on motion of Major Hinman, that the sum of Fifty Dollars be appropriated as a prize or prizes in the matches of the National Schuetzen Bund, to be held at Union Hill, N. J. June 12 to 20. 1904.

Adjourned. G. H. Blair

Asst. Secy. Pro tem.

Regular Meeting at Tiffin Club — July 5th — 1904.

7. Present:- Messrs Chase, Hinman, Baker Merrill, Bell, Lynch, and Blair. Records of prev. meeting read & approved.

Voted: That the rearrangement of Committees by the President — Mr D. L. F. Chase — as provided for by resolution at previous meeting, be adopted: as follows —

Executive Committee.

New rearrangement of Committees by Pres. Chase. Chase. Eastman. Hinman. Kelley. Patridge.

Finance Comm.

Coombs. Merrill. Busfield.

Range Comm.

Chase. Merrill. Wisdner.

Membership Comm.

Hutchinson. Blair. Gleason.

Prize Comm.

Kelley. Hale. Coombs.

Offhand Comm.

Eastman. Busfield. Lynch.

Long Range Comm.

Bell. Baker. Hinman

Rest Comm.

Patridge. Baker. Chase.

Pistol Comm.

Patridge. Bell. Hale.

Trap Shooting Comm.

Frye. Gleason. Lynch. Nash.

Proposed Wind Indicator. Voted: That Messrs Hinman — Lynch & Bell be a committee to arrange for a new Wind Indicator, or contrivance to show apparent force of the wind.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair

Asst. Secy. Pro tem.

Oct. 4th / 1904.

Regular Meeting at Tiffin Club Oct 4th 1904. Record of previous meeting read and approved.

7. Present — Messrs Chase, Kelley — Merrill, Bell, ~~Chase~~, Wisdner, Hale, Blair.

Election of F. T. Boyd. Voted — that the Francis Thibault Boyd — Age 15½ years — P. O. Address 5-2 Harrison St. Brookline, Mass, Native State, Pennsylvania. (Phila.) be accepted as ~~to~~ a member of the Mass. Rifle Assoc. — proposed by James N. Frye — D. L. F. Chase.

Furnace in Range Keeper's House. Voted: That the matter of installing a furnace in the Range Keeper's house at Walnut Hill, be referred to the Range Committee (Chase. Merrill. Wisdner) with full power to act.

Adjourned. G. H. Blair

Asst Secy Pro tem.

At a meeting on Dec. 8, 1904 the Directors of the Massachusetts Rifle Association voted to place on record their sense of irreparable loss in the death of their esteemed friend and associate, James Nichols Frye. For many years we have looked upon him as one of the fathers of our Association. By his energy and enthusiasm he rendered important aid in placing the Association on a sure foundation in the early days, and in later years of prosperity his counsel and aid were always invaluable in everything concerning its welfare.

But, far more than this, we desire as individuals to express our feeling of great personal sorrow in losing a truehearted friend and a genial, wholesouled companion. The hearty grasp of his hand, the true friendship that shone in his eyes, and the cheerful greeting of his voice will long remain in our memories. We deem ourselves fortunate in having enjoyed the privilege of his companionship for so many years, and we now extend to his bereaved family our sincerest sympathy in their deep affliction.

Tuesday. Nov 1st. 1904.

13. Present. Chase - Baker. Hinman. Patridge Lynch - Bell. Merrill. Kelley - Hutchinson Coombs - Gleason Blair Hale.

Steel Shield for 1000 yd Target. Voted - on motion of Major Hinman to erect a steel shield back of the 1000 yard target - as an indicator of where high shots hit.

Record Cups left to Prize Committee. Voted - on motion of Mr. Lynch that the whole matter of record cups be left to the prize committee - they to report at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair
Secy. pro tem.

Tuesday. Dec 6 - 1904.

Mr. Frye's Funeral. 10. Meeting of Directors at Tiffin Club - Present Messrs Chase, Bell, Blair, Busfield, Hinman, Kelley, Lynch, Merrill, Nash, Patridge.

In order to attend the funeral services of the late James N. Frye, honorary life director of the Mass. Rifle Assoc'n, the meeting at once adjourned until Thursday Dec 8th.

Thursday Dec 8th 1904.

10. Meeting of Directors at Tiffin Club. Present: Messrs Chase, Baker, Bell - Blair, Busfield Hinman Lynch, Merrill, Patridge, and after lunch - Kelley. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Committee on Resolutions on death of Mr Frye. Voted - That Messrs Chase Patridge and Merrill form a committee to draw up resolutions on the death of Mr James N. Frye - late member of the Association.

Annual Dinner. Charge of $1.00. Voted: That the Association hold its Annual Dinner as usual, and that a charge of One Dollar for said dinner be made to members. Also that a charge of one Dollar for one invited guest per member be made. A charge of Two Dollars to be made for each extra invited guest by any member.

Dinner Committee & to exhibit Prizes. On vote of the meeting, Pres. Chase appointed Dr Baker, Mr Harris and Mr Eastman, a committee to arrange for the Annual Dinner. This committee also to confer with the Prize Committee as to the advisability of exhibiting prizes, medals, or record cups at the Annual Dinner.

Nominating Committee. On vote of the meeting, Pres Chase appointed as a Nominating Committee for the suggestion of Officers for the Association for the year 1905 - Messrs Patridge, Bell and Hinman.

Florist's Bill. Voted: That Pres Chase be authorized to pay a bill for flowers for the funeral of Mr Frye, from the funds of the Association.

Florist's Bill. Voted: That the President be authorized to approve a bill from Mr Nash for flowers for Mr Frye's funeral.

Range Keeper's Furnace. Voted: That the Association pay the bill for the furnace recently installed in the Range Keeper's House at Walnut Hill, without accepting the donation of a month's salary, suggested by the Range Keeper.

2 Long Range Sighting Shots Free. Voted: That members be entitled to Two sighting shots each day at each the ranges - 800 - 900 - and 1000 yards, without charge.

Wood Cutting for new Targets 1000 yds.

Voted: That any necessary wood cutting, with a view to preparation for new 1000-yard targets be referred to the Range Committee with full power to act.

Pistol booth Enclosed.

Voted: That one pistol booth be boxed in, in the manner suggested by Mr Patridge. Boxing to be made removable and to be left to the Range Committee with power to act.

Record Cups only on Vote.

Voted: That all Record Scores be approved and Record Cups awarded, only on vote of the Directors in each individual instance.

Record Scores Targets to be verified.

Voted: That in all Record Scores, all targets to be recovered when possible, and verified, signed, and dated by the Executive Officer or Statistical Officer.

Patridge Cup 100 shots Pistol.

Voted: that Mr E.E. Patridge be awarded a record cup for the score of 943 — in 100 shots with Pistol. Score made April Fourth - 1903.

Kelley's Cup 50 shots Standard.

Voted: that Mr John E. Kelley be awarded a record cup for the score of 454 - in 50 shots - Offhand - Any rifle, on Standard American Target. Score made June 4 - 1904.

Kelley's Cup 10 shots Ger. Ring.

Voted: That Mr John E. Kelley be awarded a Record Cup for the score of 235 - in 10 shots - Offhand - Any Rifle, on the German Ring Target. Score made Sat. Dec. 3. 1904.

Adjourned to meet Dec. 31st 1904 at the Range, Walnut Hill.

G. H. Blair
Secy pro tem.

Special meeting Dec 31 1904.

12.

Special meeting of Directors held at the Range - Saturday Dec. 31 1904. Present Messrs Bell Blair Busfield Chase Coombs Hale Hinman Kelley Lynch Merrill Nichols Patridge.

Medal matches for 1905.

Voted that the Medal matches of the M.R.A. be continued in 1905 in the same manner as in 1904.

Jan 3rd 1905

Tiffin Club, Boston -

The regular monthly meeting of the directors was duly held this day.

7.

Present, Messrs Chase, Bell, Hinman, Hutchinson Kelley, Merrill and Patridge -

New Member

Mr. Edgar Brooks Hawkes, 549 Main St., Wakefield, Mass. - was duly elected to membership in the Association, subject to the usual conditions as set forth in the By-laws -

The list of officers proposed by the nominating committee, for ballot at the approaching annual meeting, was read and adopted without alteration -

Voted :- That the Executive Officer be authorized to correct a disputed offhand score of 92, to be submitted by Mr. J. E. Kelley, by crediting a 10 on said score, improperly marked as a 7, owing to a fallen paster, so that the corrected score will show a total of 95 -

On motion of E.E. Patridge

Directors Medal Match.

Voted: That the Directors Medal Match be shot on the second Saturday of December, and that a Directors Match open to all members of the board be shot on the last Saturday in December, with such prizes as the Prize Committee shall decide upon.

The following resolutions were

adopted by the Board and ordered to be forwarded to the President of the United States at Washington.

Resolutions on the Preservation of the Bison.

Whereas: The American Bison, the finest native hoofed animal in this country to-day, is now on the verge of extinction, and

Whereas: It is most desirable that the Bison should be preserved; First, because as an individual it is an animal of grand and imposing appearance; Second, because it is a strong and picturesque character in the story of the life of the Indians and of the pioneer settlers of our country, and is thus an object lesson in American history; Third, because it is the opinion of experts that the Bison could be made a very valuable addition to our list of domestic animals, and

Whereas: It has been proven at Corbin Park N.H. and elsewhere, that the Bison is easy to rear and, as compared with domestic cattle, inexpensive to feed, and

Whereas: Most of the Bison in the country are now in a few large herds owned by private individuals and liable at any time to be either wiped out by contagious disease, or sold for their heads and hides:

Be it resolved, therefore, that the Massachusetts Rifle Association most heartily endorses the movement now on foot to save the Bison from extermination by having the Government of the United States purchase and maintain on suitable ranges in different parts of the country, a number of small herds of pure bred animals of this species until they have increased to such an extent that there is no immediate danger of their passing, and

Be it further resolved: That a copy of

these resolutions be sent to President Roosevelt. — Adjourned.

Harold Hutchinson - Secy.
Per. G.H. Blair.

Tiffin Club - Jany 17 - 1905.

A Special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mass. Rifle Assoc'n was held this day.

Present - Messrs Baker, Bell, Busfield,
10. Chase Coomb, Eastman, Hinman, Hutchinson, Kelly and Merrill.

The meeting was called to order by President Chase. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Election of President.

The Board then proceeded to ballot for a President, and Mr D.L.F. Chase was declared elected.

Officers during pleasure of Board.

The following Officers were elected to serve during the pleasure of the Board;

Executive Officer — Adolph Niedner.
Statistical Officer — W.F. Spencer.
Counsellor — James E. Leach.

Voted:

That President Chase report at the next meeting, a list of nominations for the standing Committees of the Board.

Suggestion for Each Range Committee.

A discussion took place regarding conditions of long range and other matches. The suggestion was made and generally approved that the Off-hand, long range, rest and pistol Committees should formulate conditions for matches in their respective fields and report the same to the Prize Committee.

Adjourned. S. Merrill Secy pro tem

Recorded by - G.H. Blair
Secy.

Feby. 7. 1905.

Regular monthly meeting – Board of Directors. M.R.A. held this day at Tiffin Club.

10. Present – Messrs Chase, Baker, Bell, Blair, Coombs, Hale, Hinman, Hutchinson, Kelley and Merrill.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Change in Military Shooting Rates.

Voted:

That Military shooting rates for the City of Boston, be fixed at 75 cents per hour, target hire, all reasonable requirements to be provided by the Association.

Change in title of Prize Committee.

Voted:

That the Committee heretofore known as the "Prize Committee," be hereafter called the "Prize and Match Committee."

Committees for 1905.

Voted

That the following Committee appointments by President Chase, for the year 1905. be approved by the Board.

Executive:

Chase, Hinman, Kelley, Lynch, Patridge.

Finance:

Coombs, Busfield, Merrill.

Range:

Chase, Merrill, Niedner.

Membership:

Hutchinson, Blair, Gleason.

Prize and Match:

Kelley, Coombs, Hale.

Offhand:

Eastman, Busfield, Lynch.

Long Range:

Bell, Baker, Hinman.

Rest:

Patridge, Baker, Chase.

(Committees for 1905 cont'd)

Pistol:

Patridge, Bell, Hale.

Trap Shooting:

Gleason, Eastman, Nash.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair
Secy.

March 7th – 1905.

Regular monthly meeting, Board of Directors – M.R.A. held this day at Tiffin Club.

8. Present. Messrs Chase, Bell, Blair, Eastman, Hinman, Kelley, Lynch & Merrill.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Scores lowered for Military medals.

Voted:

That in Match 7. – Military Medal Match – the required scores be lowered one point each, from scores as adopted in April 1904. Match to stand as follows.

1st – Gold Medal	– 10 scores of	47	or better
2d – Silver + Gold "	"	" 45	"
3d – Silver Medal.	"	" 43	"
4th Bronze & Silver Medal	"	" 41	"
5th Bronze Medal	"	" 39	"

Rifles without peep sights – allowed 1 point per score.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair
Secy.

April 4th 1905.

Regular monthly meeting of Board of Directors. M.R.A. held this day at Tiffin Club. Present Messrs Chase Bell Blair Busfield Hale

9. Hinman Kelly Lynch Merrill.

Minutes of previous meeting read

and approved.

New Member

Dr James T. Adams. P.O. Address 155 Massachusetts Ave. Native State Massachusetts — Age 34. was Elected a member of the Association.

Voted: (on motion of Mr Hale)

Skirmish Run Trophy

"That the Association give a trophy valued at $25. (to be supplemented by $25 in cash, raised by subscription among members) to be given as a prize for the Individual Skirmish run at the Matches of the New England Military Rifle League. to be held at the Bay State Range — August 9-10-11-12 1905."

Voted

Long Range Handicap. Maj. Hinman.

That Major Hinman be a committee of one to consider the conditions of long range match and to amend handicaps if he thinks proper for a new long range match to begin after April 19th.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair
Secy.

Tuesday May 2. 1905.

Monthly meeting of Directors held this day at Tiffin Club.
Present Messrs Chase, Baker Bell
9. Blair, Hale Hinman Kelley Merrill
Patridge.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Long Range Match Condition

Major Hinman reported conditions on the part of the Committee on long range match conditions.

Voted.

It was voted that the prizes in

the long range match be as follows:

Prizes in Long Range Match

First prize — 10% of the total receipts of the match.

Second prize 5% of total receipts.
Prize for class of rifles (military or fine sighted.) not winning first prize 5%. — the match to close the last shooting day before Labor Day.

The rule for handicaps to be reported later by Major Hinman.

Championship Medals

Voted: that prize committee be authorized to Expend not more than $25.00 each on Association Championship medals.

Change in price of Members tickets

Voted: That the sale of members practice tickets for "Short range" (100 yards or less) and also for 200 yds be abolished. Members hereafter will shoot on the present "All comers" tickets. (Tickets already sold may be used by members.)

Adjourned

G. H. Blair
Secy.

Tuesday — June 6 — 1905

Monthly meeting of Directors held this day at Tiffin Club.
Present Messrs Chase, Bell, Blair
6. Hinman, Lynch, Merrill.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Voted

President requested to report Receipts etc.

That the President be requested to present a statement of the receipts and expenditures for each month

of the Association including a detailed report of each match from the Statistical Officer.

Voted:

The Range will be open on Wednesday afternoons for regular matches and practice, beginning June 14th.

Wednesday openings

Voted:

That the next meeting of the Board of Directors be held at the Range on Saturday the 1st day of July at one o'clock.

adjourned to Range

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair.
Secy.

Saturday - July 1st - 1905.

July 1st 1905 meeting at Range.

It appearing that there was no business of importance to be transacted the meeting of the Directors was not called to order.

Walnut Hill. S. Merrill.
Sec. pro tem.

(Entered by G. H. Blair.
Secy. M.R.A.)

Tuesday - Sept 5th 1905.

Monthly meeting of the Directors held this day at Room 88 - Globe Bldg.

6. Present, Messrs Chase, Coombs Eastman, Hinman, Lynch, Merrill.

President Chase reported the shooting receipts and the Expenditure for employes services, match expenses, taxes and other fixed charges for each of the past four months, it appearing that the average net monthly deficit was $ 71.43.

Pres. Chase's Report on Deficit.

Voted:

That a long range match be conducted through the remaining four months of the year, on the same terms as the match which lately closed.

Long Range Match Fall 1905

Voted:

That the Prize and Match Committee, with Mr Lynch added, be instructed to consider the subject of fall matches, with full powers. Adjourned.

Fall Matches 1905

(Entered by G. H. Blair, Secy. M.R.A.) S. Merrill Secy. Pro tem.

Tuesday Oct. 3d 1905.

Monthly meeting of Board of Directors held this day at Room 88 Globe Bldg.

7. Present Messrs Chase Bell Blair Hinman, Merrill. Coombs.

Dr William Jason Mixter. Age 24. Native State, Mass. P.O. Address 180 Marlboro St. was elected a member of the M.R.A.

New Member Mixter Did not bill

Voted:

That the next meeting of the Directors be held at the Tiffin Club and that each Director present contribute 50 cents toward the cost of the lunch. The remainder, including cost of room, to be paid by the Association.

Cost of Directors' Lunch

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair
Secy.

Tuesday Nov. 7. 1905.

Regular monthly meeting of Directors held this day at Tiffin Club.

8. Present: Messrs Chase Bell Blair Brooks Hinman Hutchinson Merrill. Lynch.

Voted:

Dr Hanson's Resignation

That, on account of Dr A. E. Hanson's evident misunderstanding of the by laws in the matter of his annual dues, his resignation be accepted with regret; he being in good standing. and that his cheque be returned.

Voted:

Remove Military bulkheads.

That the Range Keeper be instructed to begin taking down the bulkhead at the 200 yard Military targets — beginning at the Westerly End.

Voted:

Wed. shooting off Nov. 15th 1905.

That after Wednesday Nov. 15th, the Wednesday shooting be discontinued until further notice.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair
Secy.

Tuesday Dec 5 - 1905

Regular monthly meeting of Directors M.R.A. held this day at the Tiffin Club.

8. Present: Messrs Chase, Baker, Bell Blair Hutchinson, Kelley, Lynch, Merrill ~~Patridge (at lunch only)~~

1906 Annual Dinner arrangements.

Voted: That the Annual Dinner be arranged as usual and that members of the Association be charged $1.00 each. One guest to each member $1.00 each. Any further guests be charged to members

at the full price of the dinner as arranged by the Committee.

Appointed by Pres. Chase as a committee to arrange for the dinner Messrs Lynch. Bell. Blair.

Also appointed by the President as a committee to arrange for nomination of officers for 1906 — Messrs Merrill, Hutchinson, Bell.

Voted.

Directors Medal Match 1905.

That the Directors' Medal Match be shot on the last Saturday in December (Dec. 30th) 1905. and that the Directors General Match be shot on the 1st Saturday in January following. (Jan. 6. 1906).

Voted.

Mr Hale's Resignation.

That the Resignation of Mr Hale be placed on the table.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair
Secy.

January 2 - 1906.

The Regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mass. Rifle Association was held this day. Tuesday Jan 2 1906. at the Tiffin Club.

Mr Hale's Resig. accepted.

Voted. — That Mr Hale's resignation be accepted by the board, and that the Secretary be instructed to send a letter of regret to Mr Hale that circumstances compelled him to resign.

Voted that the Report of the dinner

Annual Director Comm. Report

Committee as reported by Chairman Lynch, be accepted.

Voted: That the Report of the Nominating Committee as Reported by Chairman Merrill be accepted. V.V.

Present. 12.

Present Messrs Chase: Bell. Blair Busfield. Baker. Hitchinson, Hinman, Lynch Kelley, Patridge after lunch Coombs, Merrill.

Long Range Match.

Voted: That a new long range match be put on for four (4) months from the first shooting day in 1906. Under the same conditions as the previous long range match.

Addition to Offhand comm. New Offhand Match.

There were added by Pres. Chase Mr Kelley and Dr Bell, to the Offhand Committee to arrange for a new offhand match with full power. The Match to begin the first shooting day in 1906.

Continuation of Medal Matches

Voted That the Medal matches be continued in 1906 in the same manner as in 1905.

Adjourned

G H Blair.
Secy. M.R.A.

Special meeting Election of Officers for 1906. 11.

January 16 - 1906 Report for Jan 2. Read & approved.

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Tiffin Club.

Present. Messrs Chase, Baker, Bell. Blair, Coombs, Hinman, Hutchinson Lynch, Mead, Merrill and Patridge.

By a unanimous vote Mr D. S. F. Chase was elected President for 1906.

Also were elected by one vote cast by the Secretary according to the instruct vote

of the meeting.

For Statistical Officer:
Mr W. F. Spencer.
For Executive Officer:
Mr Adolph Niedner.
For Councellor:
Mr James E. Leach.

It was the voice of the meeting that Pres. Chase be requested to report the various Committees at the next regular monthly meeting.

Directors' Medal Match 1906.

Voted:

That the Directors' Medal Match be shot on the 3^d Saturday in December 1906. (15th Dec) and that the same be published in the forthcoming Annual Report for 1905.

Championship Pistol Match.

Voted:

That the terms and conditions of the Championship Pistol Medal Match be changed and amended as follows: (2) That the Championship Pistol Medal or bar be awarded to any member making the best ten (10) scores of the Year, provided that the minimum score be not lower than 94. Standard American Pistol Target at 50 yards.

Championship Rest Match

Voted: that the Championship-Medal at Rest terms be changed; and that the Championship medal at Rest be awarded to the Shooter making the best ten (10) scores of the Year - none being lower than 116 on the Standard American Target. Rest Count.

Rest Match Reconsidered

Voted: That this vote be reconsidered and further voted: that the new terms and conditions of the Championship Rest Medal as heretofore stated be laid on the table. Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Secy M.R.A.

Feby. 6th 1906.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors, M.R.A. held this day at the Tiffin Club.

Present. Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Coombs (at meeting) Hutchinson, Kelley Hinman Lynch Merrill Patridge. Minutes of previous meeting approved.

11.

Voted–

Championship Pistol Match

That to the amendment on the pistol championship medal, which was passed at the Special Meeting Jan. 16. 1906. be added after the words "pistol championship medal", the words "or bar"; that it may be understood anyone winning a pistol championship medal shall not thereafter win another medal of the same class but shall be entitled to a bar, properly engraved, for each time he wins a further championship in this match.

Voted:

Championship Offhand Match

That the terms of the Offhand championship medal match be changed to read "Anyone making the best ten scores offhand on the Standard American target in any one year, shall be entitled to win the Offhand Championship medal or bar, provided that none of such scores shall be less than 90 points."

Voted:

Championship Rest Match

That the vote regarding the Championship medal at Rest, which was voted passed at the Special meeting of Jan. 16th, and afterward reconsidered and laid on the table, be considered as passed, with the addition of the words "or bar" after "Championship Medal."

Voted.

1. Committee on Militia Shooting

That a committee be appointed by the Chair to consider the matter of militia shooting for the season of 1906. President Chase accordingly appointed Messrs Lynch, Hinman and Patridge, as such committee, their report to be made at the March meeting of the Board of Directors.

Voted:

1. Division of Cash Prizes on ties

That in case of cash prizes, where competitors tie on totals, such cash prizes in order of merit, be added together and divided equally between ~~such~~ competitors making the scores.

Voted.

1. Pres Chase's report Committees for 1906

That the Report of President Chase on the Standing Committees for 1906 be accepted. Such Committees as follow.

Executive: Chase. Hinman. Kelley. Lynch Patridge.
Finance: Coombs. Busfield. Merrill.
Range: Chase. Merrill. Nisdner.
Membership: ~~Hutchinson~~ Blair. Gleason.
Prize & Match: Kelley Coombs. Blair.
Offhand: Lynch. Eastman. Busfield.
Long Range. Bell. Baker. Hinman.
Rest. Patridge. Baker. Mead.
Pistol. Patridge. Bell. Mead.
Trapshooting. Gleason Eastman Nash.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair
Sec'y.

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Tuesday. March 6th 1906.

Regular Monthly meeting of Board of Directors - M.R.A. held this day at Tiffin Club.

9. Present Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Hinman Hutchinson Mead Merrill Patridge.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

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Range open on Wednesdays. Proviso.

Voted:

That until further notice, the range be open on Wednesdays for practice or matches, provided that shooters at each range, guarantee the expenses of shooting.

A. Hitte. New Member

The name of Anton Hitte - birthplace Austria, address 101 Bell Rock St Malden. was proposed for membership and accepted unanimously.

Adjourned.

G H Blair
Secy.

Tuesday April 3d. 1906.

10. Regular monthly meeting held this day at Tiffin Club. Present Messrs Chase, Baker, Bell Blair Busfield Hinman Meade Merrill Patridge. (Coombs).

Authorize Prize Committee to purchase Medals or Prizes

Voted:

That the Prize Committee be authorized by the Directors to purchase any prizes, including medals. Adjourned.

G. H. Blair
Secy.

Tuesday. May 1st. 1906

Monthly meeting of M.R.A. Board of Directors held this day at Tiffin Club.

9. Present Messrs. Chase. Baker. Bell Blair. Hinman. Kelley. Meade. Merrill. Patridge. (Mann (guest))

Proposed for membership and accepted.

F. W. Mann. Age 49 - P.O. Address. Milford Mass. Native State Mass.

Voted:

That the prize committee be instructed to correspond with the Secretary of the New England Military Rifle League, concerning prizes which were offered to that organization by vote of directors at the meeting in April 1905, by the Massachusetts Rifle Association, and that, if the competition, for which these prizes were offered, did not take place, ~~that~~ further correspondence with the New England Military Rifle League be invited as to the disposition of the Trophy (if purchased) and the funds presented by the Mass. Rifle Assocn.

Adjourned

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday June 5th 1906.

Directors of M.R.A. met this day at the Tiffin Club.

7. Present — Chase Bell Baker Blair Hinman Mead Merrill.

M.R.A. Prize for Rifle League

The matter of the M.R.A prize presented last year to the New England Mil. Rifle League, which was brought up at the May meeting, was by consent of the Directors left at the disposal of President Chase.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday July 3 - 1906

6. Monthly meeting of the Board held to day at the Tiffin Club.

Present Messrs Baker Blair Hinman Kelley Lynch Merrill

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Mr John E Kelley took the chair in the absence of Pres. Chase.

Range Keeper Murphy's salary

Voted:

That the salary of Range Keeper Murphy be increased to $35.00 (thirty five dollars) a month — dating from July 1st 1906 until further notice.

Voted:

That the matter of the publication of scores by Mr Spencer

be left to Mr Kelley, chairman.

As customary it was agreed to pass the August meeting of the Board.

Adjourned. G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday Sept. 4th 1906.

Meeting of Board held this day at Tiffin Club.

Present Messrs. Chase Baker Lynch Merrill.

No Quorum

4. No Quorum being present, no business could be done.

G H Blair Secy. per S. Merrill.

Tuesday ~~Sept~~ Oct. 2nd 1906.

Monthly meeting of Board of Directors held to day at the Tiffin Club.

Present Messrs Chase Baker

6. Blair Eastman Kelley Merrill. (6)

Minutes of previous meetings (July & Sept) read and approved.

New Member (2)

Joseph G. Reasor — Age 47 — P.O. Address 132 Federal St. Boston. Native State Kentucky — proposed for membership, accepted unanimously.

Voted:

That the Boston Press Rifle Assocn. be extended the usual courtesies of

Press Rifle Assocn.

the use of the range for Wednesday the 17 October 1906.

Voted:

That to the Woburn Police be extended the use of Walnut Hill Range for revolver shooting, without expense.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair. Secy

Tuesday Nov 6. 1906.

Regular meeting of Board, held this day at Tiffin Club.

Minutes of previous meeting read and

8 Present Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Hinman Lynch Merrill. (7.) pd. (Mead.)

F. C. Fitz Director vice H. Hutchinson deceased

Voted

That Mr F. C. Fitz be Elected to the Board of Directors, in place of Harold Hutchinson deceased.

2nd Vacant place on Board.

Voted

That the filling of the second vacant place on the Board of Directors be put over until the December meeting of the Board.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair. Secy

Tuesday. Dec 4. 1906

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at the Tiffin Club.

Previous meeting minutes read and approved.

7. Present Messrs. Chase Baker Bell Blair Mead. Merrill Patidge. (7th pd.)

Vacancy on Board vice Coombs. deceased.

The matter of the election of a Director to fill the place of the late Mr Coombs. was left over until the January meeting.

Annual Dinner Committee

Voted.

That the committee to arrange for the Annual Dinner be the same as ~~the~~ in last year. Messrs Lynch. Bell. Blair.

Arrangements for Annu. Dinner as last year.

Voted.

That the arrangements for the ~~Annual Director~~ Dinner of 1907, be conducted under the same terms as last year.

New Match Jan. Feb. Mar. 1907.

Voted.

That a new match be instituted for the months of January February and March of 1907. beginning on the first Saturday in January.

The Match to be on the "Honor Target" i.e. German Ring - three shots to count - possible 25 each shot.

The further arrangements to be left to the Prize and Match Committee.

Special Directors' Match Dec. 1906.

Voted.

That a special Directors' ~~match~~ match be shot on the last Saturday of December 1906. Open to all Directors - M.R.A. Life Honorary and Active. Entrance fee 25 cents. - total Entry fees to be devoted to purchase of suitable trophy for the winner. Conditions - same as in Directors' Medal Match.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair. Secy M.R.A.

Tuesday Jan 1st 1907.

Regular monthly meeting of Board held this day at the Tiffin Club.

Present Messrs Chase Bell Blair
10' Busfield Hinman, Kelley Lynch (Mead not at lunch Merrill) Patridge.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was read and approved.

The Report of the Committee to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner was read and approved.

New member — O.K.'d by Lynch

Mr W. M. Fawcett, Age 37 — address 45 Falmouth St Portland Me. was proposed for membership and accepted unanimously subject to the by-law governing membership.

Voted

That the matches of the Association be continued in 1907 under the same conditions as in 1906.

Voted.

That Match L. Military Revolver Match, at present open to members of the M. V. M. U. S. Navy. and M.R.A., be open also to members of the U. S. Army.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday Jan 15th 1907.

A Special Meeting of the Board held this day at the Tiffin Club.

10' Present Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Foster Hinman Kelley Lynch Patridge and Thompson.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

By unanimous vote of the Board of Directors, Mr Chase was elected President for 1907.

By direction of the Board the Secretary cast one vote for Mr W. F. Spencer, Statistical Officer, one vote for Mr Adolph Niedner, Executive Officer and one vote for Mr J. E. Leech, Counsellor.

Voted

That the thanks of the Directors be extended to Mr Gleason, the retiring treasurer for the generous donation of his salary to the funds of the Association.

Voted

That the incoming treasurer Mr Lynch be authorized to procure a bond for $1000.00 and charge the premium for same to the Association.

Voted

That the President prepare a list of Standing Committees to serve for 1907 and report the same at the February meeting.

Voted

That the Prize and Match Committee Messrs Kelley Foster and Blair be authorized to put on a new Military Match, purchase prizes for same and put out the necessary Advertising.

Voted

match with Prov. Revolver Club

That the Pistol Committee, Messrs Patridge Bell and Mead be given full power to arrange a match with the Providence Revolver Club for the 22nd of February 1907.

Murphy to O.K. Marksman Button scores.

The Secretary was directed to correspond with Lieut. A. S. Jones. Sec. Nat. Rifle Assocn, to authorize Range Keeper W R Murphy as supervisor of scores shot for National Marksman's Button at Walnut Hill Range.

Ad. in Arms & the Man.

The Secretary was also directed to correspond with "Arms and the Man" with a view to advertising in the columns of that Paper.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair Secy

Tuesday Feb. 5th 1907.

No Quorum 4

At Notified meeting of Directors this day at Tiffin Club.
Present Messrs Blair Hinman Lynch and Merrill.
No Quorum.

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday March 5th 1907.

Regular monthly meeting of Directors held this day at Tiffin Club.

9. Present Messrs Chase Bell Blair Foster Hinman Lynch Merrill Patridge Thompson.

Voted:
That the list of Standing Committees for 1907, as submitted by Pres. Chase be accepted.
The list follows.

Voted:

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1907

EXECUTIVE;------Chase-Hinman-Kelley-Lynch-Patridge.

FINANCE;--------Merrill-Busfield-Bell.

RANGE;----------Chase-Merrill-Niedner.

MEMBERSHIP;-----Blair-Thompson-Fitz.

PRIZE & MATCH;--Kelley-Blair-Fitz.

OFF-HAND;-------Lynch-Busfield-Niedner.

LONG RANGE;-----Hinman-Baker-Foster.

REST;-----------Patridge-Mead-Thompson.

PISTOL;---------Patridge-Bell-Mead.

TRAP SHOOTING;--Baker-Eastman-Nash.

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J. Henry Lea. age 60.
P.O. Address. South Freeport. Maine.
Native State. Mass.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday April 2d 1907.

Regular monthly meeting of Directors held this day at the Tiffin Club.

11. Present: Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Eastman Hinman, Kelley, Lynch, Mead Merrill and Patridge.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Voted - That the President be empowered to furnish such credentials as may be required by M.R.A. members attending the National Schuetzenfest at Charleston S.C. May 6th 1907. Adjourned. G H Blair Secy

Voted:
That the list of Standing Committees for 1907, as submitted by Pres. Chase be accepted.
The list follows.

Voted:
That the following names, proposed for membership in the Association be accepted.

Silas B. Adams - Age 43 -
P.O. address Box 187 Portland Me.
Native State Maine.

Charles R. Cross Jr. Age 25 -
P.O. Address 100 Upland Road. Brookline.
Native State. Mass.

Richard King Hale. Age 27.
P.O. Address Chestnut Hill Ave. Brookline.
Native State. Mass.

J. Henry Lea. Age 60.
P.O. Address. South Freeport. Maine.
Native State. Mass.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday April 2d 1907.

Regular Monthly meeting of Directors held this day at the Tiffin Club.

11. Present: Messrs Chase Dake & Bell Blair Eastman Hinman, Kelley. Lynch, Mead Merrill and Partridge.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Voted - That the President be empowered to furnish such credentials as may be required by MRA members attending the National Schuetzenbund at Charleston S.C. May 6th 1907. Adjourned. G H Blair Secy

Tuesday May 7 - 1907.

Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at the Tiffin Club. Present

10. Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Busfield Foster Hinman Kelley Merrill and after lunch - Mead.

N. member.

New Member 2.

Mr Edward Dennison Bennett - 178 Bay State Road, Boston was proposed for membership and elected subject to the usual conditions.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

G. H. Blair Secy.

Tuesday June 4th 1907.

Regular monthly meeting of Board held this day at the Tiffin Club.

7. Present Messrs Chase Baker Bell Foster Lynch Mead and Merrill.

The Treasurer made a report concerning the finances.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

G. H. Blair Secy.
per S. Merrill

Tuesday July 2. 1907.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at the Tiffin Club.

8. Present - Messrs Chase Baker Blair Foster Hinman Kelley Lynch and Merrill.

Aug. meeting passed.

The Treasurer presented a report on the finances for the month.

By consent the August Directors meeting was passed as is customary.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair Secy

Tuesday Sept 3. 1907

The Regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held this day at the Tiffin Club.

5. Present - Messrs Chase Baker Blair Lynch and Merrill.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr Jones of the National Rifle Association that the M.R.A. had decided not to contribute to the expenses of the American Palma Trophy Team sent to Ottawa on September 7th 1907.

No Expenses for Palma Trophy.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair Secy

Tuesday Oct 1st 1907

Monthly meeting of the Board called for this day at Tiffin Club.

3 Present Messrs Chase Blair Foster. No Quorum.

No Quorum.

G. H. Blair Secy

Tuesday Nov. 5 - 1907

Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Tiffin Club.

8. Present Messrs Chase Baker Bell Hinman Lynch Mead Merrill Patridge.

New Member G. W. Austin.

Voted that George W. Austin Age 29. P.O. address 202 Harold St. Rox. be admitted to membership.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair
Secy

Tuesday Dec 3. 1907.

Regular monthly meeting of Directors held this day at the Tiffin Club.

8. Present: Messrs Chase - Baker Bell - Blair - Foster - Lynch - Merrill & Patridge.

Dinner Comm. Voted that Messrs. Lynch - Bell - Blair - be appointed a committee to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner on the ~~same~~ same conditions as last year.

Nom. Comm. Pres Chase - by agreement, appointed Messrs Merrill - Bell and Hinman as a committee to nominate proposed officers for the M.R.A. for 1908.

Voted.

Dir. Medal That the Directors medal match be held on the Third Saturday in December. Only Directors eligible to win the Medal will shoot.

Dir Open Match. The Directors' Open or General Match - to be shot on the last Saturday of Dec. 1907. Entrance fee 25 cents.

Carlson & Pratt Motions were made concerning Mr Carlson and Mr Pratt and the Sec. was instructed to write to Each. - Mr Carlson concerning doubt of payment of dues for 1905 and 1906 and Mr Pratt on his reinstatement since his resignation in 1903.

Adjourned

G H Blair Sec

Tuesday - Jan 7th 1908.

Regular monthly meeting of Board of Directors held this day at Dreyfus Cafe - Beach St.

11. Present Messrs: Chase Bell - Blair Busfield. Foster Hinman - Kelley Lynch Mead (a.l.) Merrill and Thompson.

Chairman Lynch presented the report of the Committee on the Annual Meeting and Dinner which was accepted.

Chairman Merrill presented the report of the Committee on Nominations. with the recommendation that previous Directors be hereafter not designated on the ballot at the Annual Election of officers.

Report and recommendation, accepted.

New Member Mr Wesley P. Elliott, Age 31 - 5 Oakdale St Jamaica Plain - Native State Maine was Elected to membership subject to the usual conditions.

Coast Art. Military Shooting The Range Committee with Maj. Hinman and Dr Foster added, were appointed to take up with full power, the matter of Military Shooting at Walnut Hill by the Coast Artillery Corps.

Vote of thanks to Nash. A Vote of thanks was passed to Mr U. C. Nash. for his courtesy in making possible the Tiffin Club as a place for directors meetings.

Adjourned

G H Blair Secy

Tuesday. Jan 21. 1908.

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors was held this day at Brigham's Hotel, for the Election of Officers for 1908 and any further business.

11\. Present — Messrs Chase - Baker, Bell. Blair Busfield. Foster, Hawkes, Hinman Kelley Lynch. Merrill.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Pres. 1908. On motion of Mr Merrill the Election of Mr D. L. F. Chase for President for 1908 was made unanimous.

Exec. officer / Statis. " / Counsellor — The Secretary was authorized by the Board to cast one vote Each for Executive Officer - Mr Adolph Niedner. for Statistical Officer - Mr W. F. Spencer. for Counsellor Mr James E. Leach.

Voted:

That the dues of Mr James E. Leach - Counsellor - be remitted in view of his services.

Committees 1908. The President was requested to appoint Committees for 1908 to be reported at the February 4th meeting.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy

M.K.A.

Tues. Feby 4th 1908.

The Regular Monthly meeting of the Board was held this day at the Rooms of the Bay State Automobile Assocn - 282. Dartmouth St Boston.

10\. Present Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Busfield - Foster - Hawkes. Hinman - Kelley and Merrill.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Voted:

Commees. 1908 approved. That the list of Standing Committees for 1908, as prepared and submitted by Pres. Chase, be accepted. The list follows.

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1908

Executive:-------	Chase - Hinman - Kelley-Lynch- Patridge
Finance:---------	Merrill:- Busfield - Bell
Range:-----------	Chase - Merrill - Niedner
Membership:------	Blair - Thompson - Fitz
Prize and Match:-	Kelley - Blair - Fitz - no
Off-Hand:--------	Lynch - Busfield - Niedner
Long Range:------	Hinman - Foster - Hawkes - no
Rest:------------	Patridge - Mead - Thompson - no
Pistol:----------	Patridge - Bell - Mead - no
Trap Shooting:---	Baker - Nash - Hawkes

New Member. Voted: That Mr Daniel G Fox. age 25 - 84 Washington St Haverhill, be admitted as an annual member of the Assocn - his Entrance fee being paid.

Resig. Voted: That the resignation of Mr Charles K Crane, as an annual member of the Assocn in good standing be accepted.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy

M.K.A.

Tuesday March 3. 1908.

The Regular monthly meeting was held this day at the Rooms of the Bay State Automobile Assocn, 282 Dartmouth St.

9. Present — Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Foster Hawkes Hinman Mead and Merrill.

Voted:

Military Shooting

That, as a preliminary move to the furtherance of military shooting at Walnut Hill Range; the Association Endeavor to arrange for the shooting of the Corps of Coast Artillery — at the same time accommodating other military organizations to which the privileges of the range have heretofore been extended.

Revision of Revolver Match of Feb. 22.

In the Revolver and pistol match held Feby 22. between the Lynn Rifle and Gun Club — the Boston Revolver Club, and a team from the Mass. Rifle Assocn, under a misapprehension, one man shot on the M.R.A. team who was not a member of the Association. In view of this fact the M.R.A. does not consider its team entitled to the Cup which it won in this match, and it was voted to turn said Cup over to the Lynn Rifle and Gun Club which stood second in the competition.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Secy.

Tuesday April 7. 1908.

Regular monthly meeting was held this day at the rooms of the Bay State Automobile Assocn — 282 Dartmouth St.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

9. Present Messrs Chase, Baker Blair. Foster. Hawkes. Hinman. Kelley Merrill and Patridge.

Voted:

Assn matches on equal terms for all.

That as the sense of these directors present, after Jan 1st 1909 — all matches of the Association be shot without discrimination between old and new members.

Delegates to Nat. Schuetzen Bund.

The chair appointed Messrs Niedner — Lynch — Krough and Kelley as delegates to the meeting of the National Schuetzen Bund for the Elections of officers for that Organization.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday May 5th 1908.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Bay State Automobile Assocn rooms — 282 Dartmouth St.

9. Present: Messrs Chase, Baker, Blair, Foster, Hawkes Hinman Lynch Merrill and Patridge.

Shooting for medals on other Ranges.

Voted: That the rights of members, or those who may become members, to shoot for M.R.A. medals on ranges other than the M.R.A. range at Walnut Hill, be referred to the Executive Committee; they to report at the next meeting.

Mr Wm. Ray Baldwin — age 30

New member Mr. Baldwin.

native State Maryland was proposed for membership and accepted subject to usual conditions.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair. Secy.

Tuesday June 2nd 1908.

7. Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at rooms of Bay State Auto. Assocn. 282 Dartmouth St.

Present:- Messrs Chase, Baker, Blair, Hawkes, Kelley, Lynch, Merrill.

Members may not shoot for medals on other Ranges.

Voted: That, under the advice of the Executive Committee to which the matter was referred, the Directors do not consider it expedient to permit members of the Assocn to shoot for N.R.A. medals on any other range than that at Walnut Hill.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair. Secy.

Tues. July 7. 1908.

5. Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Room 88. Globe Bldg.

Present. Messrs Baker Blair Hawkes Lynch, Merrill.

In the absence of Pres. Chase. Mr Merrill was voted temporary Chairman.

The treasurer reported the state of the Association's finances.

By consent, the August meeting was passed.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair Secy.

Sept 1st 1908.

4. Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Room 88 - Globe Office.

Present Messrs Chase Bell Lynch. Merrill. No Quorum.

G H Blair Secy.
Per J.M.

Oct 6 - 1908.

4. Regular monthly meeting held this day at office of J. E. Lynch. 26 Beach St. Present Messrs Chase Baker Bell Lynch. No Quorum.

G H Blair Secy.
Per J. E. L.

Nov. 3. 1908

9. Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at office of Dr Baker 211 Pierce Bldg.

Present Messrs Chase - Baker - Bell Blair Hawkes. Hinman Kelley. Merrill Patridge.

Voted - that Mr Patridge make arrangements - if possible - to have future board meetings held at the Tiffin Club.

N.R.A. medal match.

The Board set Saturday Nov 14th as the date for competition for the National Rifle Association Medal.

Adjourned

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday Dec 1st 1908.

Regular monthly meeting of MRA Board of Directors held this day at the Tiffin Club.

8. Present - Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Busfield Foster Merrill Patridge.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Dinner Committee

Voted: That the same Annual meeting and Dinner Committee as last year Messrs Lynch Bell and Blair - serve for the coming year. Price of Dinner to be $1.50 each to members & guests alike

Voted that the nominating Committee be Messrs Merrill Bell and Hinman to nominate officers of the Assocn for 1909.

Dir. medal match

Voted: That the director's medal match be shot on the 19th Dec. 1908. and the Directors General match be shot on the 26th Dec. 1908.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy

Tuesday. Jan 5. 1909.

The Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus - 16 Beach St.

9. Present Messrs Chase Baker Bell Blair Busfield Foster Kelley Lynch and Merrill. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. The Reports of the Dinner and Nominating Committees were accepted.

Adjourned

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday. Jan. 19. 1909.

The Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus 16 Beach St. Present.

11. Messrs Chase - Baker - Bell - Blair Busfield - Hawkes - Kelley. Lynch - Merrill - N.C. Nash Jr. & Patridges. Minutes of previous meeting read & approved

Samuel Merrill Pres.

By an informal ballot - afterward made unanimous - Mr Samuel Merrill was chosen President of the MRA for 1909. Mr Merrill then took the Chair.

Ex. Officer

By a unanimous vote Mr Adolph Niedner was chosen as Executive officer for 1909.

Counsellor

By a unanimous vote Mr Chas. R. Gross Jr. was chosen as Counsellor for 1909.

New Statistical Officer?

Voted: That a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair - with the President as chairman - to consider the appointment of a statistical officer for 1909. This committee to have full powers. The Chair appointed Messrs Chase and Hawkes to serve as the other two members of this Committee.

Committees 1909.

The President was requested to report a list of Standing Committees for 1909 at next meeting.

Voted: That the medal matches of the Association be continued for the year 1909 under the same conditions as heretofore.

No distinction in medal matches after Jan 1st 1910

Voted: That after Jan. 1st 1910. All Medal Matches of the Assocn. be shot with no distinction made between members as to time of joining the Assocn. Also that this be published in the

forthcoming annual report for 1908.

Shooting Tickets — Voted: That the Finance Committee advise the Treasurer to oversee the printing and issue of Shooting Tickets - also tickets for Barge rides to and from the Railroad Station and Walnut Hill Range.

High School Match — Voted: That the Prize and Match Committee be instructed to consider the advisability of instituting a Match for High School or Preparatory School boys - at 50 yards - 22 caliber rifle. Also to consider supplying rifles and ammunition for contestants in said match.

Cypress Hills Rifle Assoc. Suggestion — Voted: That the ~~offer~~ suggestion of the Cypress Hills Rifle Assoc'n in regard to a 100 shot match with Military rifles only (American Record on Standard Target) be accepted. Also that the Secretary communicate with the Cypress Hill's Sec and suggest that the match be 50 shots. (Match to be shot on Feb 22. 1909.)

Adjourned.

G.H. Blair. Sec.

Feb. 2d. 1909.

13. Regular monthly meeting of Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

Present - Messrs, Merrill, Baker, Bell, Blair, Busfield, Chase, Cross, Foster, Hawkes, Hinman, Kelley, Lynch & Nash Jr.

School boys Match — Voted: That the School boys match referred to the Prize and Match Committee by last meeting be laid on the table until the March Directors meeting.

Voted: That the list of Committees for 1909, as recommended by Pres Merrill be approved. The committee list follows.

Committees for 1909.

Executive: Merrill, Chase, Hinman, Lynch, Niedner.
Finance: Chase Busfield Bell.
Range: Merrill. Lynch. Hinman.
Membership: Blair Fitz. Nash Jr.
Prize & Match: Kelley. Fitz. Hawkes.
Offhand: Busfield. Niedner. Cross.
Long Range: Foster Hinman. Kelley.
Rest: Baker. Chase. Patridge
Pistol: Patridge. Bell. Foster.
Trap. Shoot.: Nash Jr. Hawkes. Cross.

Voted: That the prize and match committee be authorized to purchase prizes to the extent of $15.00 (fifteen dollars) if necessary, for the 100 shot military match on Feb. 22d 1909.

Adjourned.

G.H. Blair. Sec.

Tuesday March 2. 1909.

8. Regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors - M.R.A. - held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

Present, Messrs Merrill. Baker. Blair. Chase - Foster - Hawkes - Kelley. Nash Jr.

Schoolboys Match — By consent the schoolboy match was left over until the April meeting.

Nat. Bund communicate in English — Voted: That the secretary M.R.A. write the Sec. of the National Schuetzenbund in English and suggest that communication from the Schuetzenbund to the M.R.A. in future be couched in the English language.

Adjourned.

G.H. Blair Sec.

The president appointed Kelley & Niedner as representatives to the Schuetzenbund meeting.

Tuesday April 6th 1909.

Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus 16 Beach St.

9. Present - Messrs Merrill Baker Ball Blair Chase Cross Foster ~~Hawkes~~ Hinman Lynch.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Voted: (School match.)

That the Schoolboys match be left over until another meeting.

Voted: (Reservation of targets.)

That 3 targets at 200 yards - 1 at 500 & 600 yards - 1 at 1000 yds - and 4 pistol targets - be reserved for the use of members on Saturdays.

Adjourned

G H Blair Sec

Tuesday May 4 - 09.

The monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

9. Present: Messrs Merrill Baker Blair Chase Hawkes Hinman Kelley Lynch Partridge.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Voted: (New 300 yd. targets)

That the Range Committee be given full powers to construct targets for use at 300 yard range.

Adjourned

G H Blair Sec

Tuesday June 1st 1909.

6. The monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

Present Messrs Merrill Ball Blair Chase Hinman Lynch.

(New Member Mr Pearce) Mr Fred W. Pearce. Age 42. Native State Kentucky. Address 216 High St Boston. was elected to membership subject to the usual conditions.

(Stops 300 yd shooting) Voted: That all shooting at the 300 yard range be suspended from date until proper protection is made for the safety of those beyond the range.

(Statis. officer Mr Cook) The Committee appointed at the special January directors meeting to arrange for a statistical officer reported that after Mr Spencer goes on his summer trip Mr C. F. Cook would be appointed on trial.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Sec.

Tuesday July 6th 1909.

8. The Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

119 Present: Messrs Merrill, Baker, Blair, Foster, Hinman, Kelley, Lynch & Niedner.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Voted: (Military Company Rooms.)

That the Range Committee be authorized and instructed to build Company rooms and lockers in accordance with plans outlined by President Merrill at a cost

not to exceed $212.00.

Voted:

That the matter of the barge be left to the Range Committee with full power.

Barge.

Voted:

That that part of the vote of April /09 meeting, reserving certain targets for M.R.A. members, which applies to midrange target - (500 & 600 yds) be rescinded.

Reservation of Targets Rescinded

Voted:

That the Board adjourn until the first Tuesday in September.

G.H. Blair. Secy.

Tuesday Sept 7th 1909.

8. Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

Present: Messrs Merrill. Baker. Blair. Chase. Hinman. Kelley. Lynch. Nash Jr.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

N.R.A. Medal Match

Voted: That the National Rifle Ass'n Medal Match be held on Saturday. October 9th - 1909.

Voted: That Mr F.C. Fitz. be appointed a committee of one - with his own choice of assistants - to see about placing framed cards of information in gun stores.

Framed Cards.

Voted: That Mr C.F. Cook be appointed Statistical Officer for 1909 - this matter having been held in abeyance since the January Special meeting.

New Statistical Officer

Voted: That the Secretary be instructed to write Mr Spencer - the retiring Statistical Officer expressing the appreciation by the Board of Directors

Spencer

of his long service as holder of that position.

Barge Stopped

Voted: That the M.R.A. Barge to and from trains and the Range be discontinued until further notice. The precise date of such discontinuance being left to the discretion of the Range Committee.

Victor Trophy

Voted: That the Victor Trophy match date be left to the Rest Committee - with instructions to communicate with rest shooters and act with full power.

Adjourned

G.H. Blair Secy.

Oct 5th 1909.

Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

10. Present Messrs Merrill Baker Bull Blair Chase Hawkes Hinman Kelley Lynch and Nash Jr.

No Business for record was transacted.

Adjourned

G.H. Blair Secy

Nov 2.

Monthly meeting of Board held this day at Hotel Napoli. Present Messrs

8. Merrill Baker Bull. Blair Chase. Hinman Lynch Patridge.

Personal liabilities for Damage suits against M.R.A.

It was suggested that the Sec. ascertain from Mr Cross - Counsellor of the Assoc'n. the personal liabilities of officers or members of the M.R.A. in event of actions for damages against the Assoc.

Adjourned G.H. Blair Secy

Dec 7th 1909.

Monthly meeting of Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus:

13. Present. Messrs Merrill. Baker. Bell. Blair. Busfield. Chase. Cross Jr. Hawkes. Hinman. Kelley. Lynch. Nash Jr. Patridge. (13)

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Voted:

Ann. Meet. + Dinner

That the Annual meeting be held as usual also the Annual Dinner on the same terms as last year. The dinner Committee appointed being Lynch Bell & Blair.

Nom. Comm.

The same nominating committee as last year - Messrs Merrill Bell and Hinman - to nominate Officers of the Association for 1910.

Voted:

Dir. Medal.

That the Directors Medal Match be held on Dec 18th 1909 and the Directors Reentry Match on Dec 25th 1909.

Voted:

Prize & Match Comm. to advise on proposed changes in MRA Prize List.

That the Prize and Match Committee consider and report (at next meeting) on the advisability of:

(1) Revising the match conditions and consolidating certain matches - the changes to take effect Jan 1-1910.

(2) Discontinuing certain matches in which there has been little or no shooting in late years.

3 Printing the match conditions together with the record cup list and the records of the principal trophy and championship matches in a booklet similar to the By-Laws and Shooting Rules:

(4) Using the Linotype - if practicable - to facilitate the issue of frequent inexpensive editions of the match conditions and Records.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Sec.

Tues. Jan. 4th 1910.

Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

11. Present Messrs Merrill. Baker. Blair. Busfield. Chase. Foster. Hawkes. Kelley. Lynch. Nash Jr. Patridge. (11)

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Ann. Meeting 1910.

Chairman Lynch reported for the Annual Meeting and Dinner committees and report accepted.

Nom. Comm. 1910

Pres. Merrill reported for the Nominating Committee - report accepted - list to be presented at the Annual Meeting.

On recommendation of the Prize and Match committee it was

Voted:

Matches F.F. F.F.F. N cut out

That Mid Range Medal Match for Military Rifles - known as Match F.F. Military Cup re-entry match - known as Match F.F.F., and the Quick Fire Revolver Match known as Match N., be withdrawn from the list of Competitions.

Voted:

Mil Revs to Pistol Match G. Hdcap 3 points score.

On motion of Mr Patridge - with consent of Prize & Match Committee, that Military Revolvers with fixed ammunition - factory made - be admitted to the regular Pistol Medal Match G. and be given a handicap of 3 points per score.

New mem. Bickford

Mr F.S. Bickford - age 36 - native State Massachusetts - add. 60 State St. proposed by E E Patridge and W Ray Baldwin, was admitted to membership subject to customary conditions.

Adjourned G H Blair Sec.

Tues. Jan 18th 1910.

11. Special meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus Hotel. Present: Messrs Merrill - Baker - Bell - Blair Chase Hawkes Hinman Kelley. ~~Lynch~~ Patridge Pratt.

President re-elected. By a vote of 10 of Eleven members present Mr Merrill was re-elected President for 1910.

Cook - Stat. off. The Secretary was Empowered to Cast one vote for Mr C. F. Cook for statistical officer for 1910.

Councellor Cross. The Secretary was Empowered to Cast one vote for Chas R Cross Jr for councellor for 1910.

Exec. off. Niedner. The Secretary was Empowered to Cast one vote for Adolph O. Niedner for Executive officer for 1910.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

~~Voted~~ The President was requested to present a list of standing Committees for 1910 at the next meeting.

Vote on factory amm. for revolvers rescinded. Voted: That the vote of last Director's meeting relating to the admission of military revolvers - with factory ammunition - to Pistol Medal match G, be rescinded, and that the Prize and Match Committee be requested to report in writing at the February meeting any desirable changes in the list of M.R.A. Competitions for 1910.

Adjourned. G H Blair Secy

Tues. Feby 1st 1910.

10. The Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

Present - Messrs Merrill. Baker Bell. Blair Chase Hawkes Kelley Lynch Nash Jr and Pratt.

Minutes of Previous meeting read and accepted.

The President read his appointments of Committees for 1910, and they were accepted.

1910 Committees. The list of Committees as follows:-

Executive:

Merrill - Chase. Hinman. Lynch. Busfield.

Finance.

Chase. Busfield. Bell.

Range.

Hinman. Lynch. Foster.

Membership.

Blair. Nash Jr. Cross.

Prize and Match.

Foster. Fitz. Pratt.

Offhand.

Niedner. Kelley. Pratt.

Long Range.

Kelley. Pratt. Foster.

Rest.

Baker. Chase. Patridge.

Pistol.

Patridge. Bell. Blair.

Trap Shooting.

Cross. Baker. Nash Jr.

Voted:

That in Match A of the Annual Matches, all comers be admitted to shoot at an entry fee of 15 cents per ticket.

In Match B. members only may

Reduced Rate to members

buy tickets in blocks of eight only for $1.00.

Voted:

That the revised list of Annual matches as recommended by the Prize and Match committee be put in print and submitted to the Directors by mail before the next monthly meeting.

Revised Match List to printer.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Secy.

Tuesday - March 1st - 1910.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

10. Present - Messrs Merrill - Baker - Blair - Chase. Foster. Hawkes. Hinman. Kelley Lynch and Pratt.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The consideration of the revised prize list was put over until the next meeting.

Voted.

That the prize and match committee be given authority to institute a pistol and revolver match for April 19th - a long range match and an offhand match between such dates as the committee may select.

Pistol & Rev. Match Ap. 19th

Adjourned

G. H. Blair Secy.

Tues. April 5th 1910.

Regular Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

Present: Messrs Merrill.

13. Baker. Bell. Blair. Chase. Foster

Hawkes. Hinman. Kelley. Lynch. Nash. Niedner and Pratt.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Voted:

S. Wilder.

That the Secretary note the death of Salem Wilder and forward a letter of regret to his family.

That the report of the Prize & Match committee giving individual prizes instead of one team trophy for the revolver match on April 19th be accepted.

Individ. prizes - Rev. match

That in the Gold Medal match for 10 clean scores, this medal may be won in one or more years.

10 clean scores.

That in revolver matches the revolvers used may be those issued by the State or by the United States.

Revolvers to be used.

That Orris E. Gerrish - age 43 - Nat. State Maine, be admitted to membership subject to the usual conditions.

New members

Adjourned

G. H. Blair Secy.

Tuesday. May 3rd 1910.

Regular monthly meeting of Board

6. held this day at Dreyfus. Present - Messrs Baker. Bell. Blair. Chase. Foster. Lynch.

Dr Foster presiding. No business came before the Board. Adjourned

G. H. Blair Secy.

Tuesday June 7. 1910.

9 Monthly meeting of Board held this day at Dreyfus. Present Messrs Baker. Blair. Chase Foster Hinman Kelley. Lynch Patridge. Pratt.

Voted that the Directors request the Secretary to ask Mr Cook Statistical Officer to furnish proper copy for the Annual Report. Also to report to Treasurer Lynch according to the By Laws.

Dickinson Rifle Club N. Dakota

Voted that the Secretary notify the Dickinson Rifle Club of North Dakota that the MRA accept their challenge for a team match of 6 men per team military rifles at 200 - 300 - 500 Yards.

A vote of thanks was given Dr Foster for funds contributed to the Association.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair. Secy.

Saturday July 2d. 1910.

8. A Special Meeting of the Board was held this day. 10. am. at Room 922 84 State St. Present Messrs Chase. Cross. Fitz. Foster, Hinman, Kelley, Lynch, Nash Jr. Dr Foster in chair, to consider the affairs of the Association during a temporary injunction issued by Judge Pearce, June 30/10 in Court at East Cambridge - on application of residents of Woburn - restraining shooting on Walnut Hill Range.

Injunction on Range. Special Meeting

Voted.

That the Directors order the Range Keeper to disconnect the targets during the time the injunction is in force.

Annual Expense of Range

There was an informal discussion as to the probable expense annually for shooting by members only. This was estimated at about $1075.00.

It was the consensus of opinion that military shooting by other than members be discontinued.

Suggested by Mr Lynch that protection bulkheads be built at the 1000 yd. firing points.

Rec. for Contributions

Recommended that members - both Life and Annual - be requested to contribute $10.00 each toward expense of maintaining the Range during 1910.

Adj. J. E. Kelley Secy. pro tem.

Entered by G. H. Blair Secy.

Tuesday. July 5th 1910.

6 The regular monthly meeting of the Board was held this day at Room 922 - 84 State St.

Present - Messrs Foster - Blair Busfield Cross Hinman & Nisbet. Dr Foster in the chair. Minutes of last meeting (special) read and approved.

Shooting stopped July 2d 1910.

Dr Foster reported that the order was given the Range Keeper at Walnut Hill to disconnect the targets on Saturday afternoon July 2d. This in accordance with vote passed at Special meeting July 2d.

Range closed to Military July 5 1910

Voted:

Hereafter the Walnut Hill Range shall be closed to all shooting by the Military & Military - and no shooting shall be allowed except by members and their guests.

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Voted:

Circular Appeal for Contributions

The circular submitted to the meeting by Dr Foster shall be sent by the Secretary to all members of the Association.

The meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Chairman.

G H Blair Secy.

Sept 6th - 1910.

No Quorum 4.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board called for this day at Dreyfus.

Present Messrs Merrill - Blair Chase & Niedner. No Quorum.

At the request of three directors the President called a special Directors Meeting for Tues. Sept 13. at Dreyfus.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy.

Sept 13th 1910.

Special Meeting 12.

Special meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus.

Present Messrs Merrill Baker Bell Blair Busfield Chase Foster Hinman Lynch Kelley Nash Jr. Niedner.

A discussion was held on the finances of the Association but no action was brought to vote. Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Secy.

Oct 4 - 1910

13

Regular monthly meeting held this day at Dreyfus. 16 Beach St.

Present. Messrs. Merrill Baker Blair Chase Kelley Nash Jr. No Business.

Adjourned. G H Blair Sec.

Tues. Nov 1st. 1910.

11

Regular monthly meeting of Board held this day at Dreyfus.

Present. Messrs. Merrill. Baker. Blair Chase. Cross. Foster. Hinman Kelley. Lynch. Nash. Jr. Pratt.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved:

2 Resignations

Voted.

That the resignations of Mr W. Amory 2d. and Dr. W M Fawcett. be accepted with regret.

New Member

Voted.

That Mr Herbert S. Allen. age 29. - 240 Commonwealth Ave. - be admitted to membership - subject to the usual conditions.

Match Conditions Revised

Voted: (on reconsideration)

That the Match Conditions, as printed in pamphlet form in June 1910. be submitted to Prize & Match Committee for revision - without subjection to next meeting.

National R.A. Medal

Voted.

That the National Rifle Medal be shot for on the 1st Saturday in Dec. - namely Dec 3d. - provided Enough members Enter for Qualification.

Letter of Counsel

Voted:

That the letter suggested by Mr Cross. Counsel. to persons who may consider themselves in danger behind the range from shots fired on the range. be left to Counsel - correspondence to be conducted as he thinks right. —

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Voted:
In view of the interruption of shooting - due to the injunction placed on the range on June 30 - 1910. - Any member may finish a series of medal scores begun before July 1st - 1910, at any time prior to March 1st - 1911. - provided he declare in advance that such scores are shot as of the year 1910. Unless otherwise declared, - all scores shot after Jan 1. 1911. shall count as for the year 1911.

Medal Scores may go over

Series of scores for 1910 and 1911, shall not be run concurrently.

Adjourned.

~~G H Blair Secy~~

December ~~5th~~ 6th 1910

Regular Monthly Meeting of Board held this day at the "Dreyfus"

10. Present Messrs. Merrill, Hinman, Niedner, Foster, Pratt, Patridge, Bell, Lynch, Chase and Baker.

Mr. Patridge appointed Secy. pro tem.

The Records of Meeting Nov. 1st. were read and approved.

The Report of Messrs. Nash and Goss, Special Com. was submitted.

Com. on Condition of Range Report

Voted That the Com. be thanked for their full and able report on the conditions of the Range and as to changes necessary to make the different ranges safe. The Report was referred to the Range Com.

Committee on Financing Range

Voted. That the Chair appoint a Com. of five to consider and report to next meeting a plan for financing the affairs of the Asso.

Mr Merrill appointed Messrs Lynch, Bell, Blair, Foster and Hinman.

Voted. That Messrs Lynch Bell and Blair be a Com. to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner on same condition as last year. [See final vote]

Voted. That Chair appoint a Com. of three to report to next meeting names for officers to be balloted for at Annual Meeting. Mr. Merrill appointed Messrs. Chase, Patridge and Niedner.

Trophy by Mr Pratt.

Voted. That Directors Medal Match be shot Dec. 31st. and at the same time a Directors Match be shot for a trophy donated by Mr. Pratt for best score made by a Director not eligible to win the medal.

Voted. That no guests be allowed at Annual Meeting or Dinner.

Adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

E. E. Patridge
Secy. pro tem.

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Tues. Jan. 3rd ~~[illegible]~~ 1911.

Regular monthly meeting held this day at Dreyfus.

10. Present. Messrs Merrill. Baker. Blair. Chase. Hinman. Kelley. Lynch. Niedner. Nash Jr. Pratt.

Report of the Dinner Committee was approved.

Supplementary Call to Annual Meeting

The President. Treasurer and Secretary were empowered to draft a special call to members of the Associa requesting particularly a full attendance at the forthcoming Annual Meeting in view of the State of the M.R.A.'s finances.

Amendments to By Laws

Voted - That the President prepare a proper Amendment to the By Laws relating to the duties of the Finance Committee to be acted on at the Annual Meeting.

Inv. L. Lewis

The membership Committee were instructed to investigate the personal standing of Linwood Lewis - an Annual Member of the M.R.A. & report to next meeting.

Adjourned

G H Blair Secy.

Tuesday Jan 17th 1911.

A Special Meeting of the Board was held this day at Hotel Dreyfus - for the Election of Officers and for such other business as might come before it.

11. Present Messrs Merrill Bell Blair Chase Foster Hinman Kelley Keough Lynch Nash Jr Niedner. (Dr. Foster Chairman)

Reading of minutes of previous meeting was passed owing to the absence of the Book of Record.

Report on L. Lewis

The Report of the Membership Comm. on the investigation of the Standing of Linwood Lewis, an annual member of the Assocn, was accepted.

Samuel Merrill was reelected President for 1911.

Chas R. Cross Jr. was reelected Counsel for 1911.

Adolph O. Niedner was reelected Executive Officer for 1911.

The election of a Statistical Officer for 1911 was left in abeyance.

The President was requested to prepare a list of Committees for 1911 to be presented at the next meeting of the Board.

L. Lewis

Voted: That it is the sense of the Directors present that Mr Linwood Lewis be suspended from Annual Membership pending his reply to charges made on recommendation of the Membership Comm. after investigation, and that he be requested to reply before the 1st Tuesday in February.

Amendment to By Laws

Voted: To recommend an amendment to Section VIII Paragraph 2 of the By-Laws so that it shall read as follows: "Ten members present at a

To amend Section VIII Paragraph 2 of the bylaws so as to read,

Ten members present at a general or special meeting shall form a quorum for the transaction of business

Louis Bell
Charles C. Foster
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G H Blair
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G H Blair Secy

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Report of Ways and Means Committee

It was voted that this Report be referred back to the Ways and Means Committee it being charged with the duty of reporting in writing at next meeting having previously sent notice in writing to the Board of Directors.

Voted.

Range Keeper

That the matter of the Range Keeper - with a view to reducing the Association's Expenses be referred to the Range Committee with full power.

The President submitted the following list of Committees for 1911.

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Voted: A Vote of thanks to Mr L. B. Pratt for his generosity in contributing a prize to the Directors match of Dec. 17th 1910.

Adjourned. G. H. Blair Secy.

Tuesday Feb. 7th. 1911.

Monthly meeting of Board held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

II. Present Messrs Merrill, Baker, Bell, Blair. Cross, Foster, Hinman, Kelley, Keough Lynch. Mash Jr. and Niedner.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Resignation — Mr Linwood Lewis' Resignation was accepted.

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Committees — 1911.

Executive —	Merrill, Chase, Hinman, Kelley, Busfield.
Finance —	Pratt, Busfield, Bell.
Range —	Hinman, Lynch, Foster.
Membership —	Blair, Nash Jr., Cross.
Prize and Match —	Foster, Keough, Pratt.
Offhand —	Niedner, Fitz, Merrill.
Long Range —	Kelley, Baker, Keough.
Rest. —	Baker, Patridge, Chase.
Pistol —	Bell, Patridge, Blair.
Trap Shooting —	Cross, Lynch, Nash Jr.

...approved, ...Sec.

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Entered by G. H. Blair Secy. Sect. pro tem.

(margin:) Ways & Means Report. Amendments to By Laws

Boston, FEB 23 1911

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Charles C. Foster

...this nature." Adjourned G. H. Blair Sec.

Voted, that the list be approved.
adj. G H Blair Secy

Sat. Feb. 25 1911

Meeting at Range

A Special meeting of the Board was held to day at Walnut Hill Range.

Present Messrs Merrill Bell Busfield Chase Fitz. Foster. Hinman Nash Jr Nieduer and Pratt.

10. Voted,

Range Keeper's House

That the President and the Range Committee take up the matter of lease with both McKinnon & Murphy on the basis of a rental of approximately $15. a month and payment for such services as may be required at approximately 25 cents per hour with opportunity to work off as much of the rent as possible. The Committee to have authority to close the Agreement subject to any legal requirement.

Ways & Means Report & Amendment to By Laws

The report of the Ways and Means Committee was received and accepted and an Amendment to the By Laws in accord with the Committee's Report was presented signed and accepted by the Directors to be submitted to the Association at a Special meeting. adj. Louis Bell
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Tuesday. March 7th /1911.

Regular Monthly meeting held this day at Dreyfus.

11. Present. Messrs. Merrill Baker Bell Blair Chase Cross Hinman Keough Lynch Nash Jr. Niederer.

Minutes of previous meeting read & approved.

McKinnon

The Range Committee reported that an arrangement was made with Mr McKinnon for occupancy of the range house at $16.00 per month – he to be guaranteed practically enough work at 30 cents per hour to make his rent not more than $25.00 per year.

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The matter of Mr Emery was referred to the Membership Committee with power to permit applications for membership.

Voted:

Question on By Laws

A question on construction of the By Laws having arisen and a vote taken it was determined that the construction of the By Laws heretofore adopted and followed for many years, that the $10.00 paid as entrance fee of a new member covers his first years dues – applies to members electing only to become sustaining members.

Voted. [~~Dr Foster~~ Maj Hinman Lynch Nash Jr Merrill]

Comm. on Tickets.

That the Chair appoint a Committee of Five to arrange a scheme of tickets – to consider all possible changes – discontinuance of matches – change of rates – colors of different rate tickets – rates of guest tickets – or any other possible considerations of this nature. Adjourned J H Blair Sec.

April 4th - 1911.

Regular Monthly meeting of the Board held this Day at Dreyfus.

R. Present Messrs Merrill Baker Bell Blair Chase Foster Hinman Hough Lynch Nash Jr. Niedner Pratt.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved with the exception that Mr McKinnon's pay to be 30 cents per hour instead of 25.

New Members

Mr Francis J. Colby and Mr. Gorham Brooks - were admitted to membership on recommendation of Mr W.C. Nash Jr and Mr C.R. Frost Jr.

Voted:

Guest Privileges

That any member shall be entitled to give the privileges of the range to a Guest by means of a guests ticket: which ticket shall give the guests name and be signed by the member and dated. The ticket to be good for one month. Guests may not shoot in medal or other prize matches except in special matches by vote of the Prize & Match Committee. Shooting tickets & target hire for guests shall be at the rate charged to non sustaining members, but on the day of the guests first visit to the range the guest may shoot at the rate charged to his host. The prices of shooting tickets in the Association Matches shall be as follows - subject to a discount of fifty per cent to Sustaining Members.

Match B.	200 yd Practice	30 cents
" C	50 yd Practice	20 "
" D.	200 - Sighting	30 "

Match Prices

Match E.	200 yd Medal	- 10 cents
" F.	" "Military"	- 10 "
" G.	50 yd. Pistol Medal	30 "
" L.	(or H.) Mil. Rev. Medal	30 "
" I	Shield Medal Rifle	20 "
" J.	" " Pistol	15 "
" K.	Long & Mid Range Prac.	40 "

Target Hire

The rates for Target hire (minimum charge being for one hour) subject to a discount of 50 per cent to Sustaining Members shall be

Less than 200 yds -	$1.00	per hour
200 - 600 inclusive -	1.50	" "
800 yds & upward	2.00	" "

Competition in Match E. under Military conditions shall be discontinued and Eagle Badges shall be awarded under the regular conditions of Match F. as follows

Gold Eagle Badge	for 10 scores	46 or better
Silver " "	" " "	42 " "
Bronze " "	" " "	38 " "

Scorers discontinued

The employment of scorers in practice matches at ranges of 200 yards and upwards shall be discontinued in cases where such employment would involve additional expense to the Association.

Sust. Member Cards

The reduced rate for shooting privileges shall be given to Sustaining Members only when the member can show by card that his Sustaining membership fee for the calendar year then current has been paid - such card to be issued to him by the Treasurer.

Adjourned

G H Blair Sec

May 2d - 1911.

The Monthly meeting of the Board
9. held this day at Hotel Dreyfus.
Present Messrs Merrill Baker
Bell Blair Chase Hinman Kelley
Lynch Nash Jr.

Commee on Roof of Shoot. House

A Committee consisting of Messrs
Chase Bell & Nash Jr was appointed
to look after the roof of the Shooting
House at Walnut Hill, in conjunction
with the range Committee.
Voted - That the challenge of the
Dickinson Rifle Club be referred to the
Prize & Match Committee.
Voted: In the Event of Camo visiting
Walnut Hill for the purpose of
shooting in matches, they be given
as low a rate as possible in the
purchase of tickets.
Adjourned
G H Blair Sec

June 6 - 11.

Regular monthly meeting of the
9. Board held this day at Dreyfus.
Present Messrs Merrill Baker Blair
Chase. Hinman. Kelley. Lynch. Niedner
Nash Jr.
Voted. That the Victor Trophy &
Creedmoor Trophy shall be shot on June
24th 1911.

Notices from Federal Range

Voted: That any notices from the
Federal Rifle Range be left to Executive
Committee with full power.
Voted: That the next Directors be held
~~of~~ on 2d Tues. in July. 11th.
Adjourned.
G. H. Blair Sec

Tues. July 11th 1911.

Monthly meeting of Board held
3. this day at Dreyfus.
Present - Messrs Merrill - Baker
- Blair. No Quorum
G H Blair Sec

Tues. Sept 5th 1911.

Regular monthly meeting of the
Board held this day at Dreyfus.
10. Present: Messrs Merrill Baker
Bell Blair Chase Hinman Kelley
Lynch Nash Jr Niedner.
The Secretary was instructed
to bring before the Board again
the Question of Treas. Lynch's bond.
Voted:
To Shoot for the National
Rifle Association Medal on October
28th - last Saturday in October.
Adjourned.
G H Blair Sec.

Tues. Nov. 7th 1911.

Monthly Board meeting held this day at
Hotel Napoli.
10. Present. Messrs. Merrill. Baker. Bell.
Blair. Busfield. Chase. Kelley. Lynch
Nash. Niedner.
Voted:

Myles Standish Club challenge

That the Assoc'n feels compelled to
refuse the invitation of the Myles Standish
Rifle Club of Portland Me to join in a winter
indoor Shooting Match - 1911-1912, as it has always
Confined itself to Outdoor Shooting and is
not in a position to agree with the proposition
made.
Adjd.
G H Blair Sec

Tues. Dec 5th 1911.

9 Regular Meeting held this day at Hotel Dreyfus:

Present: Messrs Merrill Baker Bell Chase Hinman Lynch Nisdner Patridge Pratt.

E. E. Patridge sec. pro tem.

Committees on Annual Meeting & Nominations

Voted:

That there be an Annual Dinner in connection with the Annual Meeting in 1912 and that the Dinner be under the same Conditions and in charge of the same Committee of Arrangements as last winter. The committee — Lynch Bell & Blair.

Voted that the same committee, as last year, on nominating officers for 1912 be appointed. The committee consists of Messrs Chase Nisdner and ~~Bell~~. Patridge.

Directors Match

Voted:

That the Directors Match or Matches be shot under the direction of the Prizes & Match Committee ~~of~~ on Saturday December 23rd.

Voted:

That the regular Medal Matches be ~~shot~~ continued in 1912 under the same conditions as heretofore.

E. E. Patridge Sec Pro tem.

Entered by G. H. Blair. Sec.

January 2d 1912.

10 Regular Meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus:

Present: Messrs Merrill. Baker. Blair. Chase. Foster. Hinman. Kelley Lynch Nisdner and Patridge:

The Reports of the Committees appointed at the previous meeting, for the Nomination of Officers for 1912 and to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner were accepted.

Com. to confer with Federal Range

Voted:

That a Committee be appointed to confer with the Federal Range authorities with a view to arrange for indoor shooting by the Mass. Rifle Assoc.

The Chair appointed Messrs Baker Nisdner and Patridge.

Dr Miner Guest

Voted: That the Directors invite Dr Miner of the Federal Range to be the guest of the Association at the Annual Dinner on Jan 9th 1912.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair Sec M.R.A.

Tuesday Jan 16 - 1912.

A Special meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus for the purpose of Electing officers for 1912.

12. Present Messrs Hinman. Baker. Bell. Blair. Busfield. Chase Foster Kelley Lynch Merrill. Patridge.

Vice President Harris was also in attendance and occupied the Chair.

Maj. Himman President.

Major Charles W. Hinman was unanimously elected President of the Association for the year 1912.

The Secretary was instructed to cast one vote each for

Adolph O. Niedner as executive officer
Chas. R. Cross. Counsel
J. E. Lynch. Statistical Officer.

President Hinman was then escorted to the Chair by Mr Harris.

The minutes of the ~~last~~ previous meeting were then read and approved.

The President was ~~then~~ requested to submit a list of Committees for 1912 at the next meeting of Directors.

Voted:

Assn. thanks Mr. Merrill

That the thanks of the Association be extended to Mr Merrill, the retiring President, for his efforts on behalf of the Association during his three years occupancy of the Chair.

Voted:

Mr Kelley & W. E. Kimmell

That Mr Kelley be requested to interview Mr. W. E. Kimmell, concerning his application for membership which was made in December 1910 but laid over.

Voted:

Treas. Bond

That the Treasurer, Mr Lynch, be not required to furnish sureties on his bond.

Voted:

New Member

That Dr W. C. Miner - Federal Range 117 Federal St. be elected a member of the Association subject to the usual Entrance conditions. (Conditions since fulfilled - Sec.)

Adjourned

G. H. Blair Sec.

Tuesday Feb. 6 - 1912.

(17)

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus.

Present. Messrs. Hinman - Baker - Bell Blair - Chase - Harris (V.P.) - Kelley - Lynch - Mann - Merrill - Niedner - Pratt.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The President submitted a list of Committees for 1912 which committees were approved, as follows:

Committees for 1912.

Executive Comm.
Hinman - Chase - Merrill - Foster - Busfield.

Finance.
Busfield - Bell - Baker.

Long Range.
Chase - Kelley - Mann.

Membership.
Blair Nash Pratt.

Offhand.
Kelley - Fitz - Niedner.

Pistol.
Bell - Patridge - Cross.

Prize & Match
Pratt - Niedner - Fitz.

Range.
Merrill - Lynch - Foster.

Rest.
Baker - Patridge - Mann.

Trap Shooting.
Cross - Lynch - Nash.

Moved and Voted.

Dickson continue?

That Mr G. H. Dickson be allowed to complete the scores he began for military rifle medal - interfered with by the closing of the Range by injunction.

Voted:

Indoor Comm.

That the Committee appointed at Jan 2d meeting to confer with the Federal Range Authorities with regard to M.R.A. indoor shooting - be changed to include Mr John E Kelley instead of Mr Patridge. The Committee now to consist of Messrs Baker - Niedner and Kelley.

Voted:

School boy Shooting

That the communication from Dr Miner of the Federal Range with regard to Schoolboy shooting at the Walnut Hill Range, be left to the Range Committee with power to act. (Range Committee - Merrill - Lynch - Foster)

Voted:

Train Service

That the matter of Train service - including a suggestion from Mr Hosmer as to possibility of stopping the 12.30 train from Boston to Walnut Hill - be left to the Range Committee.

Voted:

Annual Report Resumed

That a committee be appointed to consider the advisability of ~~resuming the~~ ammunition of an Annual Report - held in abeyance since the Report of 1908. The President appointed Messrs Merrill - Blair - Harris.

A suggestion was made by Mr Harris that a letter from the Secretary of the M.R.A. to the Authorities of the Boston & Maine Railroad concerning the Train Service to Walnut Hill - be advisable.

The Secretary was instructed to notify such members as would possibly attend - to be at the Federal Range on Friday Eve. Feby 9th. at suggestion of the Federal Range Committee.

Adjourned — G H Blair. Sec. M.R.A.

March 5th 1912.

Board Meeting held to day at Dreyfus.

Present

9. Messrs Hinman Baker Blair Busfield Chase Harris Lynch Merrill Niedner.

Voted

That Mr G.H. Dickson be allowed to complete his medal score at the old scale of prices.

Committees on Train Service School boy shooting and Annual Report made reports.

Adjourned

G H Blair Sec

April 2d - 1912

Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus.

Present.

Messrs Hinman. Baker. Bell. Blair. Busfield. Chase. Harris. Kelley. Lynch. Merrill. Niedner.

Voted

That the Federal Range - under direction of Dr Miner - be extended the use of the 50 yard range at Walnut Hill for the day of June 22d 1912 - for the purpose of School boy shooting - free of charge from the authorities at Walnut Hill. Expenses of target centres and markers to be on the Federal Range authorities.

Adj.

G H Blair Sec

8 May 7th - 12.

Regular meeting of Directors held today at Dreyfus. Present Messrs Baker Blair Chase Kelley Lynch Mann Merrill Nash Jr. No Business. G H Blair Sec

On May 25th a Special meeting of the Board was held at the Range. It was voted to issue!! Special Guests' Cards to the members of the Federal Rifle and Revolver club and the Boston Revolver Club with privileges for 3 months. Cards sent July 19 - Oct 19.

June 4th – 12.

Regular monthly meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus. Present Messrs Hinman Blair Chase Harris Lynch Merrill Nash Jr.

No Business.

G H Blair Sec.

July 2d – 12.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held to day at Dreyfus.

Present: Messrs Baker Bell Blair Harris Kelley Lynch Merrill Niedner.

Patridge Resig.

Voted: On motion of Dr Bell seconded by Mr Kelley, that Mr Patridge's resignation from the Board be accepted with regret coupled with a vote of thanks from the Board for his past services.

Also on motion of Dr Bell that Mr Patridge be permitted to retain his Director's Button as a missionary of the Assoc'n preaching the gospel of good shooting and that a standing invitation be extended to him to be present at any meeting of the Directors.

Hosmer Director

Mr George L. Hosmer was unanimously elected a Director in place of Mr Patridge resigned.

Adj. G H Blair Sec

August meeting passed by consent as customary

Sept 3d – 12

The monthly meeting of Directors held this day at Dreyfus. Present Messrs Bell, Chase, Foster, ~~Kelley~~ Lynch Merrill and Niedner.

Voted: That in the absence of the President Dr Bell preside at the meeting.

Range for Pasturage.

Voted: That the Range Committee have power to make such arrangements as it may approve for the use of a portion of the range property for pasturage, first conferring with the Range Keeper in the premises.

Targets for U.S. Revolver Ass'n matches

Voted: That the Range Committee be empowered to make such arrangements as it may see fit for the use of certain targets for annual matches under the auspices of the United States Revolver Association. Adj.

Samuel Merrill Sec. pro tem.

Entered by G H Blair Sec.

Oct 1st – 1912.

Monthly meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus.

Present: Messrs, Hinman, Baker, Bell, Blair, Busfield, Chase, Harris, Hosmer Kelley, Mann, Merrill, Niedner.

Voted: That the match for National Rifle Assoc'n Medal be shot on the last Sat. of Oct. 1912. (Oct 26th).

Improvements of Range.

Voted: That the Range Committee be empowered to expend the necessary money to improve the Range within ~~their~~ its own discretion.

Adj. G H Blair Sec

Nov 5th 1912.

The Regular Board Meeting held this day at Hotel Napoli.

Present:

10 Messrs Baker, Blair, Chase - Harris Hosmer - Kelley - Mann - Merrill - Nash Jr - Niedner.

Vice President Harris in the Chair.

No Business. Adj.

G H Blair Secy.

Dec. 3. 1912.

Reg. Meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus.

Present.

13 Messrs Hinman - Baker Bell Blair Busfield Chase. Harris Lynch Hosmer Mann. Merrill Niedner - Nash Jr.

New Member.

New Members Francis Batchelder proposed by Dr. C.C. Foster accepted under the rules by unanimous vote.

Alan H. Means. 37 St James Ave. Bo. proposed by G. L. Hosmer - accepted under the rules by unanimous vote.

Voted:

That the matches current in 1912 be continued through 1913.

Voted:

That the match for the Directors' Medal be shot on Dec. 28th - the last Saturday in 1912.

Voted.

That a special match be instituted - to be shot on the

same day as the Directors Medal match - to be open to all members of the Assocn and that the details of such match be left to a special committee - nominated by Mr Chase and passed by vote of the Directors. Such committee being. Messrs Niedner. Lynch. Hosmer.

Also

Voted.

That all members of the Directors not present on day of Directors Match be fined $1.00.

Voted.

That the Committee to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner be the same as last year - namely Messrs Lynch - Bell - Blair.

Voted

That the Committee for the nomination of new officers - under Election by the Annual Meeting - consist of Messrs Chase - Niedner - Hosmer.

adjourned

G H Blair. Secy

Jan. 7th - 1913.

Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus.

Present.

8 Messrs. Hinman. Baker. Bell. Blair ~~Busfield~~. Chase ~~Harris~~ - ~~Hosmer~~ -

Kelley Lynch, ~~Mann~~, Merrill, ~~Nash~~, ~~Niedner~~.

The Reports of the Committees on the Annual Meeting and Dinner and of the Committee on Nominations were made

and accepted

Voted: That the Treasurer be empowered to enter a protest against the amount of taxes assessed the M.R.A. on the range property at Walnut Hill by the City of Woburn. Protest Taxes.

Adjourned. G H Blair Sec.

Jany 21st 1913.

A Special meeting of M.R.A. Directors held this day at Dreyfus.

9. Present. Messrs Baker Blair Chase Hinman Hosmer Kelley Merrill. Nash Jr and Niedner.

The minutes of last meeting read and approved.

By a unanimous vote. Major Chas. W. Hinman was re-elected President of the M.R.A. for 1913.

The Secretary was instructed by the Directors to cast one vote each for

Adolph O Niedner - Executive Officer

Chas. R. Cross Jr. - Counsellor

Jerome E Lynch - Statistical Officer.

The President was requested to submit at the next Directors Meeting his list of appointees for 1913 Committees.

Voted: That the Secretary - Treasurer. and Chairman of the Prize and Match Committee form a Committee of three to arrange for the publication of an Association Report from the last Annual Report of 1908 up to and including 1912. Publish Annual Report.

Adjourned

G H Blair Secy M.R.A.

Feby 4th 1913.

Monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus.

Present.

13 Messrs. Hinman. Baker. Bell. Blair. Busfield. Chase. Gerrish Hosmer. Kelley. Lynch Mann Merrill Nash

The nominations for Committees for 1913 by the President were accepted - they follow:

Executive:

Hinman. Busfield. Bell. Chase. Merrill.

Finance

Merrill. Baker. Bell.

Com'y Range.

Foster Mann Pratt.

Membership

Blair Cross Gerrish

Offhand

Kelley Fitz Niedner

Pistol

Gerrish Cross Hosmer

Prize & Match

Nash Fitz. Pratt.

Range

Chase Hosmer Lynch

Rest

Baker Mann. Lynch

Trap

Lynch Foster Kelley Nash.

The Report of the Committee appointed to consider a further Annual Report was laid over until a future meeting.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy.

March 4th - 1913.

Monthly meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs. Hinman Baker. Blair Busfield Chase Gerrish Harris Hosmer Kelley Lynch Merrill.

Annual Report — Voted: That the Committee on Publishing a Report be given full power to print Report or not as they may decide.

11. Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Sec.

April 1st - 1913.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held to day at Dreyfus:

Present: Messrs. Hinman Baker. Bell. Busfield. Chase. Foster. Gerrish. Harris.

12/13 Hosmer. Kelley. Lynch. Merrill.

The Directors invited Col. Dooley to lunch and give a talk on the 22 cal.

Tech men to shoot at Walnut Hill — Voted: To give Mr Hosmer power to act for the Assocn in making arrangements for members of the Institute of Technology who wish to shoot at the Range.

Voted: That the Boston Revolver Club be extended the courtesies of the Range the same as last year.

New member — Voted: To admit Mr Russell D. Warren. 227 Bruce St, Lawrence, Mass. as an Annual Member.

Adjourned.

Entered by G. H. Blair Sec. J. E. Lynch act Sec.

May 6th 1913

Regular monthly meeting of Board held

9 to day at Dreyfus.

Present: Messrs Harris. Baker. Chase. Gerrish. Hosmer. Kelley. Mr Lynch. Merrill. Nash

Vice President Harris in the Chair.

New Member — Harry. R Marshall. 55 Congress St Boston. was elected a member of M.R.A.

Entered by G.H.B. Sec. Adj. Geo. L. Hosmer act. Sec.

June 3d 1913

Regular Monthly Meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus.

J. S. Sumner — The President gave notice of the death of John S. Sumner - a life member of the M.R.A.

The President. Mr Chase & Mr Bell were appointed a Committee to draw up resolutions to be sent to his relatives and spread upon the Records.

Sell wood at Range — Voted: That the Range Committee be authorized to sell the wood now at the Range.

Present: Messrs.

Geo. L. Hosmer

Entered by G.H.B. Sec. Sec. pro tem.

July 1st 1913

No Quorum at meeting to day.

August meeting passed as customary.

Sept meeting - 4th. (Chase. Hinman Merrill. Blair)
No Quorum

Oct 7th - 1913.

Regular monthly meeting of

7 Board held this day at Dreyfus.

Present. Messrs - Hinman Baker Blair Chase Harris Lynch Merrill (over)

The secretary was instructed to write Mr Leon C. Thrasher - Hardwick - Mass. As to the Condition of membership.

The Secretary was also instructed to write Mr O. E. Gerrish - As to his possible resignation of membership in the Board of Directors. (about Mr Sumner)

Resol. on J. S. Sumner

Voted: That the resolution, ~~adopted~~ prepared by the Committee appointed in June - viz - The President - Mr Chase and Mr Bell - be adopted as read by Mr Chase - placed upon the records - and a copy forwarded to relations of Mr John S. Sumner - lately deceased.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair. Secy MRA.

Nov 4. 1913.

Regular meeting of Board held today at Hotel Napoli.

6 Present - Messrs Baker - Blair Chase - Kelley - Merrill - Nirdner.

No business came before the meeting.

Adj. G H Blair Secy.

Dec. 2. 1913.

Board Meeting today at Dreyfus.

9 Present. Messrs Hinman Baker. Bell. Blair Busfield chase Kelley Lynch Mann Merrill.

Use of Revolver Club Range.

The Secretary was instructed to notify MRA members of the invitation of the Boston Revolver Club to use its indoor Range.

The President appointed Lynch Bell and Blair a Committee to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Association.

The President [illegible] appointed Cha[illegible]

Resolved:-

By the Directors of the Massachusetts Rifle Association, at their regular meeting of October seventh, 1913, that they have heard with deep sorrow of the death of John S. Sumner, their long-time friend and associate. Mr. Sumner's membership in the Association dates back within two years of its organization. In his prime he was one of a very small group of the world's best marksmen, and in the old palmy days of long-range shooting he sustained the honor of the Association in many a hard-fought contest.

But besides his acknowledged ability as a rifleman, we desire to express our appreciation of his qualities as a companion and a man. His modest and gentle demeanor, and his sense of honor and fairness were combined in an admirable manner with a quiet courage and self-control that were unstampedable.

Sumner was a man who could go to the firing-point in a nerve-racking contest and fire his last shot without flinching.

When but little past middle life, fate called upon our friend to enter upon a long and hopeless struggle with an inexorable malady, and it is a satisfaction to believe that even in such a trial his lifelong fortitude and dauntless courage enabled him to hold on to life, and keep the relentless one at bay for many years, even until he had lived well beyond man's allotted span.

And so in his final match against hopeless odds, we do not doubt that Sumner fired his last shot without flinching, and that his last opponent had but a paltry victory, after all.

We desire to extend to the family of our departed friend an expression of our sincere sorrow and sympathy in their affliction.

For the Directors,

G. H. Blair.
Secretary.

14 Kelley Lynch Merrill Nash Jr. Nirdner.

The Report of the Annual Meeting and Dinner Committee ~~read~~ by Mr Lynch and of the Nominating Committee by Mr Chase were accepted.

Voted.

That the motion of Mr Harris be accepted: viz: To elect members of the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting by crossing out names on the printed ballot not desired leaving unmarked those names of Directors Elected.

Voted.

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Res. on J. S. Sumner

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Adj. G. H. Blair Sec.

Dec. 9. 1913.

9 Board Meeting today at Dreyfus.
Present. Messrs Hinman Baker. Bell.
Blair Busfield Chase Kelley Lynch Mann Merrill.

The Secretary was instructed to notify MRA members of the invitation of the Boston Revolver Club to use its indoor Range.

Use of Revolver Club Range

The President appointed Lynch Bell and Blair a Committee to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Association.

The President also appointed Chase Nisdner and Hosmer a Committee on the nomination of Officers for 1914.

Voted:

To continue the Matches in 1914 Current in 1913.

Voted:

That the Directors' Medal Match be shot on the last Saturday in December (Dec 27th). and a Special Prize list be arranged for Directors who have won the Medal. (Mann $7. Lynch $5. Busfield $3.)

The resignation as a Director of Mr O. E. Gerrish was accepted with regret.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair. Sec.

Jany 6th 1914.

14 Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus.
Present Messrs Hinman Baker. Bell. Blair. Busfield. Chase. Foster. Harris Hosmer Kelley Lynch Merrill Nash Jr. Nisdner.

The Report of the Annual Meeting and Dinner Committee ~~read~~ by Mr Lynch and of the Nominating Committee by Mr Chase were accepted.

Voted.

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Voted.

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Rev. J. J. Mead. and Wm P. Thompson.
Copies of such notices to be sent to their families.

Adjourned,

G. H. Blair Secy

Feb. 3d. 1914.

Monthly meeting of Directors held today at Dreyfus.

Present: Messrs Hinman Baker Bell Blair Busfield Chase Lynch Marshall Merrill. Nash Jr.

The President presented his list of nominations for Committees for 1914. as follows:

Voted: That the list of Committees as presented by the President be approved.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Sec

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MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

List of Committees

Executive	-	Hinman	Bell	Busfield	Chase	Merrill
Finance	-	Merrill	Baker	Bell		
Long Range	-	Foster	Mann	Pratt		
Membership	-	Blair	Nash	Marshall		
Off-hand	-	Kelley	Fitz	Niedner		
Pistol	-	Marshall	Foster	Hosmer		
Prize & Match	-	Nash	Merrill	Pratt		
Range	-	Chase	Hosmer	Lynch		
Rest	-	Baker	Mann	Niedner		
Trap	-	Lynch	Foster	Kelley		

Voted: That the list of Committees as presented by the President be approved.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Sec

March 3. 1914.

The Board of Directors met this day at Hotel Dreyfus.

8 Present - President Hinman - Messrs Baker Bell Chase Kelley Lynch Merrill and Nash.

Legislature On motion of Mr Kelley a committee consisting of the President and Messrs Chase and Bell was appointed to appear before the Committee on Legal Affairs of the Legislature and oppose the enactment of House Bills No. 510, 843 and 1621 relating to carrying firearms.

Adjourned. Samuel Merrill
Entered by G H Blair Secy. Secretary pro tem.

April 7th. 1914.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held today at Dreyfus.

12 Present: Messrs Hinman Baker Bell Blair Chase Harris Hosmer Kelley Lynch Marshall Merrill Nash.

Voted: That the Prize & Match Committee be authorized to institute a match or matches on the April 19th holiday.

Repair Shooting House Voted: That the Range Committee be authorized to undertake whatever expense is necessary to repair the roof of the shooting house properly.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Sec

May 5th. 1914.

Regular monthly meeting of Board held this day at Dreyfus.

Present: Messrs. Harris - Bell

Blair, Kelley, Lynch, Marshall, Merrill,
Pratt.

8 Conditions of Victor Trophy

The Secretary was instructed to ascertain from the records, the conditions of shooting for the Bronze Trophy presented by Mr Rabbeth and last shot for under Rest Match Conditions.

Adjourned.

G H Blair Secy.

June 2d 1914.

Regular meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus.

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Present: Messrs Hinman. Baker. Bell. Blair Chase Harris. Lynch. Marshall. Mann. Merrill. Nash. Pratt.

Voted:

Transfer of Bronze Victor Trophy

That the Bronze Victor Trophy presented by F. J. Rabbeth. Dec 10th 1896. be transferred from the Rest Match to Long Range and be awarded for a Competition at One Thousand Yards. Fifteen shots. Two sighting shots which must be taken. Two or more competitors necessary. Date in 1914. First Saturday after Labor Day. (Sept. 12. 1914) Any rifle. Sights. Ammunition & position.

Voted:

Roof Repairs on Shooting House

The Range Committee have full power to repair the roof of the Shooting House at Walnut Hill. The necessary Expenditure to be at discretion of the Committee.

Two new members

S. Prescott Fay. 30 - N.S. Mass. 53 State St. Boston. admitted to membership.

William Kirkwood. 23 Elm St. Boston. admitted to membership. Adj.

G H Blair Secy.

July 7th 1914.

Monthly meeting of Directors held this day at Dreyfus.

Present. Messrs Harris. Baker. Blair Marshall. Merrill. Nash.

6 Victor Trophy transfer for one year only

Voted: That the transfer of the Bronze Victor Trophy from the 200 yard Rest Match to Long Range be understood to apply for one year only.

Thanks to Pratt and Dooley

Voted: The thanks of the Assocn to Mr Pratt for his presentation of a Trophy for long range June 17th. Also the thanks of the Assocn to Col. J. J. Dooley for targets supplied to Walnut Hill Range.

The August Meeting passed according to custom.

Voted: That the Directors meeting in September following be held on the Second Tuesday of the month instead of the 1st Tuesday as customary and that the Secretary give due notice of such change of date.

Adj.

G. H. Blair Secy.

Sept 8th 1914.

Present Messrs Harris (presiding) Baker Blair. Chase. Kelley. Lynch. Marshall. Merrill. Nash Jr. Niedner.

10 Victor Trophy for Long Range

There were suggestions and a discussion concerning the Victor Trophy Long Range Match. It was voted to leave all final arrangements to the Prize and Match Committee.

Voted: That a special Committee be appointed to take charge of a match proposed by Dr. Baker. The President appointed as a Committee, Dr Baker Mr Niedner & Mr Chase.

This committee to have full power as a Prize and Match Committee regarding this Match. Mr H. R. Marshall was appointed Judge and score supervisor of this Match.

5 Saturday Short Range Match. Dr Baker, Mr Lynch and Mr Nash Jr. generously presented prizes for this Short-range, 22-cal. 100 shot match to be shot on 5 Consecutive Saturdays Commencing Sept 26. 10 shots prone at 100 yards & 10 shots sitting or kneeling at 50 yards; on the targets and substantially under the conditions of the Short Range Outdoor League.

If a competitor is unable to be present on any Saturday, he will be allowed to make up his score in the discretion of the Committee but not later than Oct 31st 1914.

Adj: G H Blair Sec.

Oct 6th 1914.

Regular monthly meeting of Board held this day at Dreyfus.

9 Present: Messrs Hinman, Baker, Blair Chase, Foster, Harris, Lynch Marshall, Nash Jr.

Signature of Witness. Voted: That only one witness name be sufficient on scores in the Dr Baker short range match. Range Keeper McKinnon's signature if necessary.

Rent and Range Keeper. Voted: That the matter of the Range Keeper and the rent of the Range Keeper's House be left to the Range Committee.

Oct 12 Guest Day. Voted: That Oct. 12th 1914 be set aside primarily for the use of members and guests shooting for N. R. A. Medals, and that the President appoint a Committee to oversee the shooting on Oct. 12. This committee to have the powers of the Prize and Match Committee. The President appointed

Messrs Chase (chairman) Foster Marshall and Nash Jr.

Short range match for Winter. Voted: That the Prize and Match Committee institute a Short Range Match to continue throughout the Winter. The details of such Match to be left to the Committee.

By agreement of the Directors the secretary was instructed to call the Nov. meeting of the Board for Wednesday Nov. 4th as Tuesday the 3d being election day Dreyfus as a place of meeting will not be available.

Adj: G H Blair Sec.

New Member. (omitted from above) Proposed by Dr Baker and unanimously elected a member of the Association. Mr John D. Williams. age. Native State . of 100 Brattle St. Cambridge.

G. H. Blair Sec

Nov 4th 1914.

Regular monthly meeting of board held this day at Dreyfus.

9 Present: Messrs Harris (chair) Baker Bell Blair Chase Foster Marshall Merrill Nash.

Dr Baker reported for the short range 5 Saturday match that first place was won by John E. Kelley 2d by Dr C. C. Foster (after discussion and a decision by the Board on 2 questioned targets) and third by Harry R. Marshall.

Settling Score in Short range match. Voted: That the Directors advise Mr Marshall his scoring is correct on the 2 targets questioned in the Baker Short range match. The Directors instruct the

Committee on arrangements to give a decision of the 2nd prize to Dr Foster and 3d prize to Mr Marshall.

Rules on Ties.

Voted: That the Prize and Match Comm. be instructed to draw up and submit to Directors at the next meeting a new set of rules governing ties — to conflict as little as possible with the wording as at present of the by laws and to correspond as nearly with the N.R.A. rules as may seem reasonable to them. Adjourned.

G W Blair Sec

Dec 1st 1914.

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Directors meeting this day at Dreyfus. Present Messrs Hinman Baker Bell Blair Chase Hosmer Kelley Mann Merrill.

Short Range Match Dr Baker's

Voted: That short range match proposed by Dr Baker be approved.

Voted: To accept Prof. Hosmer's offer to survey the 100 yard range at Walnut Hill.

Reciprocal Rev. Club & M.R.A.

A committee was appointed to confer with Officers of the Boston Rifle and Revolver Club with a view toward making reciprocal arrangements as to shooting on each others ranges. Pres. Hinman chairman of the committee together with Messrs Chase Baker Bell and Kelley

The President appointed the following Committees

for nomination of Officers for 1915
Chase - Hosmer - Niedner.

Dinner and Annual Meeting.
Lynch. Bell. Blair — adj.

G W Blair
Sec.

Jan 5th 1915.

14

Monthly Meeting held today. Dreyfus. Present Messrs Hinman, Baker, Bell, Blair Busfield, Chase, Foster, Kelley, Lynch Marshall Merrill Nash Niedner Pratt.

Reciprocity Treaty - Boston Rifle & Rev. Club & M.R.A.

Voted: That Mr Nash's proposed resolution be accepted — to wit.

"That the members of the Boston Rifle and Revolver Club shall be entitled to shoot at the range of the Mass. Rifle Assocn at Walnut Hill and that they shall use only practice tickets for which they shall pay the rates charged to Sustaining members of the M.R.A. This vote shall take effect when like privileges shall be extended to our members by the Boston Rifle and Revolver Club, and shall continue in force for a period of six months thereafter, and until the expiration of one month after either Club has notified the other Club of the termination of these reciprocal relations."

(Copy of resolution accepted by M.R.A. Directors) "At a meeting of the Directors of the Boston Rifle and Revolver Club, held Dec 29. 1914, It was voted that the members of the Mass. Rifle Assocn shall be entitled to shoot at the range of the B. R & R. Club. at 32 Federal Street, and that they shall use only practice targets for which they shall pay the rates charged to members of the Boston R. & R. Club. This vote shall take effect when like privileges have been extended to our members by the M.R.A. and shall continue in force for a period of six months thereafter and until the expiration of one month after Either Club has notified the other Club of the termination of these reciprocal relations."

Valuation on Creedmoor Cup:

Voted: That the valuation of $300.00 placed on the Creedmoor Cup for purposes of insurance by Mr Nash Jr. be considered sufficient.

At the request of the Board, the President consented to serve as a committee of one to arrange with Mr Clark concerning the entertainment at the Annual Dinner. Jan. 12/15.

A discussion of Mr Hosmer's survey of the 100 yard range at Walnut Hill was put over until another meeting.

After discussion, a revised report of the Nominating Committee was accepted.

The Report of the Committee on Annual Meeting and Dinner. The M.R.A. and the B.R. & R.C. having arranged to hold their Annual Dinner together, was accepted.

New Member (?)

Mr Arthur L. Brackett - sq - 154 Boylston St Boston. Nat. State Mass. was elected a member of M.R.A. subject to the customary payment of entrance fee. Adjourned.

G. H. Blair. Sec.

Jan 19th 1915.

Special meeting for election of Officers for 1915 held to day at Dreyfus.

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Present: Messrs Baker Bell Blair Chase. Foster, Harris, Hinman Kelley Lynch Marshall. Means Merrill Niedner Nash Jr. Vice President Harris in the chair. By ~~vote~~ of the Directors, Major Charles W. Hinman was elected President of M.R.A. for 1915. On motion of Mr Chase the President was requested to cast one ballot each for:

Adolph O. Niedner - Executive Officer.
N. C. Nash Jr - Counsellor.
J. E. Lynch. - Statistical Officer.

On being called to order the Director's presided by ballot to the election of President. Maj. C.W. Hinman was the choice of the meeting.

Nash

Voted:

That Mr Nash - counsellor, be invited to attend the director's meetings.

Voted:

rest Comm. Eliminated

On motion of Dr. Baker, that the rest committee be eliminated and that there be separate committees for Pistol shooting, and for short range (small-bore) shooting.

Voted:

Committee on 100 yd range.

That the President appoint a committee of five to consider and report to the Directors the best method of fitting up the 100 yard range at Walnut Hill for small bore shooting.

The President was requested also by the Directors to submit a list of committees for 1915 as is customary. Adjourned.

~~G. H. Blair~~ Sec.

~~January~~ Feb. 2nd 1915

Monthly meeting of board held to day at Dreyfus. Present Messrs Hinman. Baker. Bell. Blair. Chase. Hosmer. Kelley. Marshall. Merrill. Nash Jr.

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President's Committees.

The President submitted as a special committee of five to advise concerning the 100 yard range at Walnut Hill. Messrs Hosmer. Baker. Foster. Marshall. Niedner.

The President also submitted the following list of committees for 1915.

Executive - Hinman. Busfield. Chase. Kelley. Niedner.
Finance. Merrill. Busfield. Means.
Long Range. Gerrish. Niedner. Pratt.
Membership - Baker. Blair. Pratt.
× Miniature - Marshall. Baker. Foster.
Offhand. - Hosmer. Fitz. Kelley.
Pistol - Bell. Foster. Means.

Prize & Match – Nash – Bell – Gerrish – Hosmer, Marshall.
Range – Chase – Hosmer – Lynch.
Trap – Foster – Bell. Lynch.

This list of committees was adopted by vote of the meeting.

Matches Continued

Voted: That the regular medal matches be continued in 1915 under same conditions as heretofore.

Voted: That the 22 cal. match authorized at the December meeting be continued through 1915.

Adjourned
G H Blair Sec.

March 2d 1915.

Regular meeting of Directors held to day at Dreyfus.

13 Present – Messrs Hinman Baker, Russell Blair Chase Foster Harris Kelley Gerrish Marshall Merrill Nash Niedner.

Legislature

Voted: If Councellor Nash sees reason for further expenditure in connection with the Legislature he is authorized to incur it and will be reimbursed by the Association Directors.

22 cals at 100 yds.

Voted: That the range Committee be authorized to go ahead with the arrangements for 22 cal shooting at 100 yards according to the report of the Special Committee, and that they notify Mr Hosmer (chairman of Special Committee & not present at this meeting) to this effect.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

April 6 – 1915

Monthly meeting of the Board held to day at Dreyfus.

12 Present; Messrs Hinman – Baker – Bell Blair – Chase – Gerrish – Harris – Kelley – Lynch Marshall – Merrill – Nash Jr.

V o t e d :- that "The Rules Governing Competitions" of the Massachusetts Rifle Association be and hereby are amended by striking therefrom the section numbered VI, and inserting in its place the following section:-

VI TIES

1. In determining ties, matches shall be divided into the following classes:-

SINGLE SCORE MATCHES are those in which all shots are required by the conditions to be consecutive and shot under the same conditions of distance, position, weapons, ammunition, etc.

Examples:-Creedmoor Trophy and Victor Trophy.

SERIAL MATCHES are those in which the total score is composed of separate and distinct scores, each of which contains an equal number of shots at the same range or ranges and in the same position or positions as every other, and between which, competitors may fire shots not called for by the conditions of the match.

Examples:-22-Caliber 5-shot 5-week Match as shot in the Fall of 1914; Arms and the Man Short Range Out-Door League.

RE-ENTRY MATCHES are those in which any separate and distinct score, or any shot, although fired on a match ticket, need not be counted, but may be disregarded in determining the final score.

Examples:-M. R. A. Re-Entry Medal Matches; Luck Match.

MILITARY MATCHES are those in which a service weapon, or a weapon recognized under the regulations of the United States Army or Navy, the National Rifle Association of America, the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia or The National Guard, must be used.

Examples:-N. R. A. Medal Match; Civilian's Markmanship Qualification Matches; M. R. A. Military Matches.

2. Ties shall be decided as follows:-

a. In Single Score Matches, on all targets, the score containing the fewest shots of the lowest value shall rank highest; if still a tie, it shall be decided by inverse order of shots; and if still a tie, by each competitor shooting single shots until decided.

b. Ties in Re-Entry Matches shall be decided by the next highest score or scores.

c. In Serial Matches, the competitor having the fewest separate and distinct scores of the lowest value shall rank highest; if still a tie, then by the separate and distinct scores in inverse order; if still a tie, by the highest total score in rapid fire; if still a tie, then by inverse order of shots excluding shots fired at rapid ~~or timed~~ fire; and, if still a tie, by each competitor firing single shots at the longest range.

d. In Military Matches, the competitor having the highest aggregate score made in rapid fire shall rank highest; if still a tie, by the highest total score in rapid fire at the longest range; if still a tie, by the highest total score in rapid fire at the next longest range; and so on until all scores at rapid fire have been exhausted; if still a tie, by the highest total score at the longest range slow fire; if still a tie, by the highest total score at the next longest range slow fire; and so on until all the scores shot at slow fire have been exhausted; if still a tie, by the fewest shots of the lowest value at slow fire; if still a tie, by the shots at slow fire in inverse order; and, if still a tie, by firing single shots at the longest range.

e. In Military Matches shot under the rules of the National Rifle Association of America, the rules of said organization in force at the time shall govern.

3. No score with handicap shall exceed a perfect score.

4. Competitors who have to shoot off ties will be notified as soon after each match as practicable. When the ties are shot off, one sighting shot shall be allowed without charge. Competitors not present at the firing points at the hour named for shooting off ties, lose their right to shoot and will be placed accordingly.

Matches Continued

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Legislature

22 cal at 100 yds

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Committee on legislation

Report on ties

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Marshall res. from Comm.

Means for Marshall Miniature Comm.

New M.

Voted: That the President be requested to appoint a Committee of three to consider the possible influencing of legislation in regard to the carrying of firearms or whatever legislation might concern members of the M.R.A. at the next meeting of the Mass Legislature. The President appointed Dr. Bell, Mr Harris and Mr Merrill.

Mr Nash read a report from the Prize and Match Committee of 1914 on revision of the bylaws regarding ties in matches - this report having been called for at the Nov 4th - 1914 meeting of Directors. It was voted that Mr Nash's report be accepted and laid on the table until the next meeting.

Adjourned — G. H. Blair. Sec.

May 4th — 1915.

Monthly meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus.

Present: Messrs Hinman - Baker Bell Blair Chase Kelley Lynch Means Merrill. Nash Jr.

Voted: That the resignation of Mr H R Marshall from the Committee on miniature shooting, be accepted.

Voted: That Dr Baker be appointed chairman of this Committee in place of Mr Marshall.

Voted: That Mr Alan H. Means be appointed a member of the Miniature-shooting Committee to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Mr Marshall.

Voted: That James Sydney Stewart - 22 years - Native State Mass - P.O. Address 36 Norfolk Ave Swampscott Mass - be admitted to membership subject to the customary regulation of payment of $10.00 Entrance fee.

Voted: That the Secretary be instructed to write Col J. J. Dooley - Thanking him for his generous

gift of targets to the N.R.A.

Voted: That matters relating to the new National Rifle Assocn small bore match be left to the Prize & Match Committee.

N.R.A. Small Bore

Voted: That any correspondence with Sec Jones of the Nat. Rifle Assocn relative to a proposed N.R.A. Military Rifle Match be referred to the Long Range Committee - (Gerrish Niedner Pratt.)

Adj. G. H. Blair. Sec

June 1st 1915.

Regular monthly meeting of Board held this day at Dreyfus.

10. Present. Messrs Hinman Baker Blair Busfield Chase. Foster Harris Lynch Marshall Means Merrill Niedner.

Nat. Match for Civilians: Military rifle

Reporting for the Long Range Committee to which was referred the matter of the proposed military rifle match for civilians, under the auspices of the N.R.A, Mr Niedner said that the Committee considered it inadvisable to enter a Team for the M.R.A in such match.

Adjourned. G H Blair Sec

July 6 - 1915.

Regular monthly meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus.

11 Present: Messrs Harris Baker Bell Blair Kelley Lynch Marshall Means Merrill Nash Niedner.

100 yd Back Stop

Mr Niedner's recommendation that the back stop at the 100 yard range be properly repaired to withstand high power rifle fire was referred to range Committee with power to act.

A Vote of thanks was passed to Dr Baker for flag presented to the Range.

Voted: That the Captain of Shooting team (at present Mr Niedner) shall see that the boy changing targets is properly protected by stopping shooting, or otherwise, until such changing is accomplished.

Mem. M.

Voted: That Mr R. H. McKinnon be elected a member of the Mass Rifle Assocn subject to the payment of Entrance fee as provided by the By-laws.

Targets for Tickets.

Voted: That the use of the Green tickets in the miniature practice match shall be discontinued, and that the targets be numbered and sold at ten cents each. Only ten shots on each of such targets so numbered and sold shall be fired.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair. Sec

Sept. 7th - 1915.

Regular meeting of the Board held to day at Dreyfus.

8. Present: Messrs Baker. Blair. Chase. Lynch. Marshall. Merrill. Nash. Niedner.

Mem. M.

Richard Fischer - Age 50. Native State - Germany - 580 Mass. Ave. Cambridge. was elected to membership.

Mem. M.

Dr. Harold W. Dana. Age 37. 121 Centre St Brookline. Nat. State. New York. was elected to membership.

Victor Trophy Long Range.

Voted: That the Victor Trophy be awarded this year of 1915 (for one year) to the winner, if any, of the Long Range Championship Match. Also that the name and score of the winner be engraved thereon at the expense of the Assocn. Also that this match be held annually under the condition of a vote of the Directors of date June 2 - 1914. until such time as the Board

shall designate otherwise.

Record Cup for Niedner. A suggestion by Dr Baker that a record cup be awarded Mr Niedner for his score of a possible 100 with small calibre (22) rifle at 100 yards slow-fire was discussed and was referred to the Prize and Match Committee. Adjourned.

G. H. Blair. Secy.

Oct. 5th - 1915.

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus.

10 Present Messrs Hinman Baker Blair Chase Harris Kelley Marshall Merrill Nash Niedner.

New Member. Mr Norman Marshall age 16 — Native State N.H. - 107 Chestnut St West Newton. Mass. was elected a member of the Assocn subject to the customary requirements of the By-laws.

There was discussion as to the present fitness of the Walnut Hill Range for military rifle shooting and it was the sense of the meeting that this matter might be left to the Range Committee without a vote.

Adj. G. H. Blair. Sec.

November 3rd - 1915.

Regular Monthly Meeting of Board held today at Dreyfus.

7 Present: Messrs Bell - Chase - Harris - Marshall - Merrill - Nash - Niedner. Mr Harris presided.

Use of Range by Other Clubs. No formal business was transacted but the members present engaged in a discussion relating to the use of the Range by the members of other Clubs affiliated with the National Rifle Association.

Nathaniel C Nash Jr. Entered by G. H. Blair Secy.

Dec 7th - 1915.

Regular meeting of Board today at Dreyfus.

10. Present: Messrs Hinman - Baker - Bell - Blair Chase Foster Gerrish Harris Lynch Merrill.

Dir. Medal. Voted: That the Directors Medal Match be shot on Saturday - Dec. 18th - 1915. Details to be left to Prize and Match Committee.

Adj. G. H. Blair Sec.

(Omitted from Above) The President appointed the following Committees: For the nomination of Officers for 1916, Messrs Chase, Hosmer, Niedner.

For Annual Meeting and Dinner arrangements: Messrs Lynch, Bell and Blair.

G. H. Blair. Sec.

Jan 4th - 1916.

Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board held today at Dreyfus. Present - Messrs Hinman - Baker - Bell

11 Blair Chase Harris Kelley Lynch Marshall Merrill Nash.

Legislation. The Report of the Committee on proposed legislation was presented by Dr Bell. and it was Voted:

To accept the Report and authorize the Committee to place the bill before the Legislature.

Kirkwood. By vote of the Directors the Nominating Committee was instructed to place the name of William Kirkwood in place of Alan H. Means on the list of candidates for the Board of Directors to be chosen at the Annual Meeting.

Cross Memorial. Messrs Merrill. Chase and Nash were appointed a Committee to prepare a proper memorial to the late Charles Robert Cross Jr - formerly a Director in the Association.

Nash Memorial. Messrs Chase Hinman and Merrill. were appointed a Committee to prepare a Memorial for the late Nathaniel C Nash, formerly Honorary Life Director of the M.R.A. These Committees to report at Annual Meeting and the Memorials to be spread upon these Records. Adj -

G. H. Blair - Sec.

January 18th 1916.

A Special Meeting of the Directors was held to day at Dreyfus - for the purpose of Electing Officers of the Association for 1916 and for any other business. Present Messrs. Baker - Beckford - Bell Blair - Chase - Hinman - Kelley - Marshall - Merrill and Nash. The Directors proceeded to vote for President and Major Charles W Hinman was re-elected to that Office for 1916. The following Officials was also elected.

10 President 1916.

Adolph O. Niedner - Executive Officer
Nathaniel C Nash Jr. - Counsellor
Jerome E Lynch - Statistical Officer.

The President was requested to submit a list of Committees for 1916 at the next Directors Meeting.

On motion of Mr Chase it was voted that the current Medal Matches be continued for 1916. Adj. G H Blair Sec.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

COMMITTEES, 1916

EXECUTIVE . .	Hinman, Chase, Kelley, Busfield, Merrill.
FINANCE . .	Merrill, Busfield, Chase.
LONG RANGE . .	Gerrish, Niedner, Pratt.
MEMBERSHIP . .	Baker, Pratt, Blair.
MINIATURE (.22) .	Niedner, Baker, Foster.
OFF-HAND . .	Hosmer, Fitz, Kelley.
PISTOL . .	Bell, Foster, Beckford.
PRIZE AND MATCH .	Nash, Bell, Gerrish, Merrill, Marshall.
RANGE . . .	Marshall, Lynch, Hosmer.
TRAP . . .	Foster, Lynch, Kelley.

Battalion and other Organizations of a similar nature be arranged. The details to be left to the Prize and Match Committee.

Voted: That Rules recommendations or other arrangements, to be made by the Range Committee for shooting

by the Provisional Training Battalion or other organizations of similar nature, be made by Range Committee. Adj. G. H. Blair Sec.

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MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Reentry Military Qualification Match

VOTED that the series of 5 medals, heretofore known as the Military Medals, and offered during the year 1908, in Match F, shall be offered for competition under the following conditions.

Open to members only of ~~the M. R. A., or of any club affiliated with the M. R. A., and permitted by vote of the Directors to use the Range.~~

Weapon -	Any service rifle, as issued. Telescope sights barred.
Ammunition -	Any fixed.
Distances -	Slow fire at 300, 500 and 600 yards. Rapid Fire at 200 and 300 yards.
Position -	Kneeling at 200 yards - prone at all other ranges.
Rounds -	50 consecutive; ten at each range, and 2 sighters at 600; no other sighters; all shots to be fired in the order given under "Distances" above.
Targets -	Target D at 200 and at 300 rapid fire. Target A at 300 slow fire. Target B at 500 and 600.
Tickets -	A specially printed score sheet ticket, bearing the conditions of the match and appropriate spaces for scoring @ $1.50.

Prizes -			av.
	Gold Medal for	242 or better	48.4
	Gold & Silver for	235	47
	Silver "	225 (expert qualification)	45
	Silver & Bronze "	210	42
	Bronze	200	40
		190 Sharpshooter qualification	38
		160 Marksman qualification	32

Every string must be shot in the presence of a member of the M. R. A., who shall sign the score card.

No competitor shall win and take any medal more than once, nor, in any calendar year, after having already completed a score entitling him to a medal, win and take another medal of lower rank.

The conditions of the match and the ranking of scores shall be governed by N. R. A. rules; the conduct of competitors at the range, and the claiming and taking of prizes shall be governed by M. R. A. rules.

Memorial to C. R. Cross Jr. was received from

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10 President

Regular meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus. Present Messrs Hinman Baker Bell Blair Chase Harris Hosmer Kelley Lynch Marshall Merrill Nash Pratt.

13 The President submitted a list of Committees for 1916 which was approved by vote of the Board.

Legislation Dr Bell reported to the Board for the Committee on Legislation. It was voted to leave the advancement of the Brophy Bill to the discretion of the Legislative Committee.

New Medal Matches Voted: that a series of Five Military Medals to be shot for by Members of the Provisional Training Battalion and other Organizations of a similar nature be arranged. The details to be left to the Prize and Match Committee.

Voted: That Rules recommendations or other arrangements, to be made by the Ranges Committee for shooting

by the Provisional Training Battalion or other organizations of similar nature, be made by Range Committee.

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Memorial to [illegible] was received from

10 President 1916.

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March 1st 1916.

A Special Meeting of the Directors was held to day at Dreyfus for the purpose of electing Officers [illegible] and for any business. Present [illegible] Beckford [illegible] Blair Chase [illegible] Kelley Marshall [illegible] and [illegible]. The Directors proceeded to vote for [illegible] 1916. The following [illegible] Officers [illegible] Executive Officers [illegible] Counsellor [illegible] State Rifle Officer [illegible] The new Directors [illegible] it was voted that [illegible] 1916 [illegible]

[illegible] Committee for above.

by the Provisional Training Battalion or other organizations of similar nature [at Walnut Hill] be made by Range Committee.

Adj. G. H. Blair. Sec.

March 7th — 1916.

Regular meeting of Board held today at Dreyfus.

15. Present: Messrs. [Hinman] Baker Bell Beckford Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Kelley Lynch Marshall Merrill Nash Niedner Pratt.

Marshall's Report. $600. Mr Marshall reported for the Range Committee on the probable expenditure necessary to put the Range into shape generally for shooting by the Provisional Training Battalion or other organizations of similar nature. His lowest estimate of the probable expense would be in the neighborhood of $600.00. The Report was accepted and placed on file.

After a general discussion by the Board in meeting it was the sense of the Board that it was not wise to undertake so much.

Paint House. Voted: To authorize the Range Committee to paint the Range Repair house.

New Medal Match. Mr Nash reported for the Prize and Match Committee the institution of a new series of Medal Matches to be known as Reentry Military Qualification Matches, in accordance with a vote of the Directors at the meeting of February 1st. (Conditions are entered on insert - this page.)

Tickets Printed. Voted: That the new tickets as planned for the Reentry M. Q. Match be printed as planned by Mr Nash.

Price Medal Tickets Raised. Voted: That the price of tickets in Matches G. and L. be raised from 15 cents to 25 cents for sustaining members and to other members in proportion.

A letter thanking the Assoc'n for the memorial to C. R. Cross Jr. was received from

his father Prof. Charles R. Cross. It was voted to place the letter upon the record.

New Member. Harry H. Bennett — Age 48 — Native State Maryland — Address 142 Portland St Boston was admitted to membership. (Dues pd)

Adj. G. H. Blair. Sec.

April 4th. 1916.

Monthly meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus.

11 Present: Messrs. Hinman Baker Bickford Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Lynch Marshall Merrill Nash.

No Business to Record. Adj:

G. H. Blair Sec.

May 2d — 1916.

10 Monthly meeting of the Board held to day at Dreyfus.

2 New Members. Present: Messrs Baker, Bickford, Bell, Blair, Chase, Harris, Kelley, Marshall Merrill Pratt.

Vice Pres. Harris in the Chair.

Voted: William E. Fennell — age 43 — Address 136 Stoughton St. Dorchester. Native State Mass. John W. Badger, Age 43 — Address 73 Pinckney St Boston — Native State New Hampshire. — to be members of the Mass. Rifle Association. (entrance fees accompanied application)

Range Committee 200 yds. $60.00 Voted: That the Range Committee be given full power to make necessary repairs at the 200 Yard range — Walnut Hill — at their discretion. Cost not to Exceed Sixty Dollars.

Adj. G. H. Blair Sec.

June 6th — 1916

Regular monthly meeting of the Board held to day at Dreyfus.

10 Present, Messrs Hinman, Bell Blair Chase Hosmer Kelley Lynch Marshall. Merrill Nash.

Disappearing Targets. There was discussion as to the advisability of installing disappearing targets at Walnut Hill Range, but no vote was taken.

Voted — that the July meeting of the Directors be held on Wednesday July 5th on account of the regular Tuesday falling on July 4th. Adjourned

G. H. Blair Sec.

July 5th — 1916.

The Regular meeting of the Board was held to day at Dreyfus.

8 Present: Messrs Baker, Blair, Busfield Harris, Kelley, Lynch, Nash and Pratt.

Mr Harris in chair. By consent the August meeting was passed as is customary and the Board voted to set the September meeting on to the second Tuesday — Sept. 12th.

Adjourned. G. H. Blair Sec. M.R.A.

Sept. 12th — 1916.

Regular meeting of Board held to day — Dreyfus.

10 Present: Messrs Baker Bell Blair Chase Gerrish Kelley Lynch Merrill Niedner Pratt.

Dr Baker in chair by vote of meeting.

Comm. for Indoor Range. Voted: That a committee be appointed to consider locations possible for short range indoor shooting for the M.R.A.

The Chair appointed N. C. Nash Jr. H. R. Marshall and H. H. Bennett as such Committee - to report at the next Directors Meeting - Oct 3rd.

Crsedmoor Trophy for 500 yds. Mr Nisduer suggested that the Creedmoor Trophy - at present shot for Annually at 200 yards offhand - be offered at 500 yards - Any rifle - Any position - Any sight - Any ammunition. Voted - This was referred to the Prize and Match Committee - to report at the Annual Meeting of the Association in January 1917. — Adjourned

G H Blair Sec

Oct 3rd — 1916.

12 Regular monthly meeting of Board held today at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Hinman Baker Bickford Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Lynch Marshall Merrill Nash Nisduer.

Voted: That the report of the Committee on indoor shooting (appointed Sept 12th) be accepted.

Victor Trophy put in shape. Voted: That the Prize and Match Committee be authorized to have the Victor Trophy put in presentable shape at a cost not to exceed $5.00

Voted: To hold next Directors Meeting on Wednesday Nov 8th instead of Tuesday - Election day.

Adjourned. G H Blair Secy.

Nov 8th - 1916.

10 Regular Board Meeting held today at Dreyfus. Present. Messrs Baker Bickford Bell Blair Chase Marshall Merrill Nisduer Nash Pratt. No Business.

G H Blair Secy

Dec 5 - 1916.

Regular Board Meeting held today. Dreyfus.

11 Present: Messrs Hinman Baker Bickford Blair Busfield Chase Harris Kelley Lynch Merrill Pratt.

Death of Dr Mann. Voted: That Messrs Chase Baker & Merrill draw up resolutions in connection with the Death of Dr Franklin W. Mann late Vice President of the N.R.A.

Voted: That the President appoint as Committees for Nominating Officers and for Annual Meeting and Dinner the same members as last year.

Nominating Committee - Messrs Chase Nisduer & Hosmer.

Dinner & Annual Meeting. Lynch - Bell - Blair.

Adj. G H Blair Secy

Jany 7, 1917.

Regular Board Meeting held today at Dreyfus.

14 Present: Messrs Hinman Baker Bell Blair Busfield Chase Gerrish Harris Kelley Lynch Marshall Merrill Nash Pratt.

The Reports of the Committees for the Nomination of Officers for 1917 and for the Annual Meeting and Dinner were read and accepted.

Cup for Marshall. Voted: That Mr Harry Marshall be awarded a cup for his score of a possible with ten shots at 50 yards - 22 cal. rifle in the N.R.A. League out door Match 1916. 1 inch 10 ring target.

Postponed Directors Medal. Voted That the 1916 Directors Medal Match 1916 be shot on some date in present January to be agreed upon. Adj. G H Blair Secy.

January 16th - 1917

A Special Meeting of Directors was held to day at Dreyfus for the Election of Officers for 1917 and for any other business.

12/ Present Messrs. Baker Bennett Blair Chase Harris Hinman Lynch Merrill Marshall Nash Niedner Pratt.

By Ballot afterward made unanimous the Directors Elected Dr Louis Bell, President of the Association for 1917.

The President was requested to submit a list of Committees for 1917 at the next meeting of the Board - Feby 6th.

Mr H. R. Marshall was elected Executive Officer - Mr N C Nash Jr. Counsellor - and Mr J E Lynch Statistical Officer for 1917.

Vote of thanks to Maj Hinman — By a rising vote on motion of Mr Nash, the Directors tendered the thanks of the Association to Major Chas W Hinman, the retiring President for his wise and faithful services during his five years tenure of the Office.

Adjourned. G H Blair Sec.

Feby 6th - 1917.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held to day at Dreyfus.

13/ Present. Messrs Bell Baker Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Hinman Hosmer Kelley Marshall Merrill Nash. Pratt.

President Bell presented a list of Committees as requested by the Board at the Special Meeting. Jany 16th. These were accepted by the Board.

Victor Trophy from McNamee — Voted: That Mr Gerrish be authorized to obtain from T. F. McNamee the Victor Trophy won at long range by him leaving the matter of the bill for repairs on same to be settled at a later date.

MASS. RIFLE ASSOCN.

Committees 1917.

EXECUTIVE- Bell (ex.off), Chase, Kelley, Busfield, Merrill.

FINANCE- Merrill, Busfield, Chase.

LONG RANGE- Gerrish, Niedner, Hinman.

MEMBERSHIP- Baker, Pratt, Blair.

MINIATURE- (22)- Niedner, Baker, Foster.

OFF-HAND- Hosmer, Fitz, Hinman.

PISTOL- Beckford, Foster, Pratt.

PRIZE & MATCH- Kelley, Gerrish, Merrill, Marshall, Bennett. 7 Chairman.

RANGE- Marshall, Lynch, Hosmer.

TRAP- Foster, Lynch, Kelley.

Souvenirs to Victor Trophy Winners — Voted: That a medal or souvenir be arranged for to be presented to each winner of the Victor Trophy and retained by him as a memento of his success. Former winners of the Victor Trophy to be permitted to purchase these souvenirs at cost. The style and details of such medal or souvenir to be left to the discretion of the Prize and Match Committee.

Congress Bird Bill — Voted: That the Secretary be instructed to write to Senators and Members of Congress from Massachusetts suggesting that efforts be made for the passage of the McLane Bill - in the interests of the preservation of Migratory birds from destruction.

Adjourned. G. H. Blair Sec.

March 6. 1917.

The Regular monthly meeting of the Board was held to day at Dreyfus.

11. Present: Messrs Bell Baker Beckford Blair Chase. Harris Hinman Kelley Merrill Niedner Pratt.

Marshall's Cup. — Voted: That the Cup awarded to Mr H R Marshall for his possible score at 50 yard, 22 cal. rifle be limited to $5.00 in cost. The style and

making of the cup to be at the discretion of the prize and match Committee.

McGann's Bill — Voted: That the Treasurer be instructed to pay the bill of $10.00 to T F McGann & Sons Co. for restoring the Victor Trophy.

Voted: That Mr Herbert S. Pope - age 43 - N.S. Penn 93 Federal St be elected to membership. (Cheque for entrance fee accompanied application $10.00).

Congress Correspondence — The secretary submitted correspondence with U.S. Congress on Migratory Bird Bill, according to instructions received at previous meeting.

Adjourned. G H Blair Sec.

April 3d - 1917.

11 — Regular meeting of Board held today at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell Baker Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Hinman - Marshall Merrill Nash Pratt.

2 new members. — Voted: That Messrs Miles Standish - Age 55 Native State Maine. Address Boston Daily Globe, and L. F. McAleer - age 37 - Native State Mass - Address 141 Milk St Boston, be admitted to membership on customary payment of entrance fee & dues. (Cheque for $10.00 accompanied McAleer's application)

Long Range Targets. — Voted: That the matter of getting the Long Range targets into proper repair be referred to the Long Range Committee with power to act. (Committee - Gerrish Nichner and Hinman)

Creedmoor Match — Voted: That the Creedmoor Match be shot on the 19th of April (this year only) instead of June 17th.

There was discussion over the suggestion by the President - Dr Bell - that the MRA might be of assistance in musketry instruction to recruits during the (at present) prospective entrance of the United States into a state of war with Germany. No definite action was taken at this meeting on President Bell's suggestion.

Adj. G H Blair Sec

Wednesday May 2d - 1917

9 — Regular meeting of the Board held this day at Dreyfus. (Dreyfus being closed Tues. May 1.) Present: Messrs Baker Blair Busfield Chase Harris - Hinman Lynch Marshall Merrill:

2 new members. — William A. Natale - Age 28 - Native State Mass. address 131 State St - Boston - and Richard F. Kendall - Age 24 - Address 7 Arch St Boston were admitted to membership in the MRA (Admission fees of $10.00 each accompanied the applications.

Voted: That the Prize and Match Committee be empowered to enter an MRA team in any outdoor match the National Rifle Assoc'n may institute. (Mr Harris in Chair)

Adjourned - G H Blair Sec.

June 5th - 1917.

10. 1 guest. — Regular meeting of Board held today at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell Baker Blair Busfield Chase Harris Hinman Kelley Lynch Merrill Mr Dwight Boyden present as guest.

(Woburn Nat Guard shooting Walnut Hill) — The secretary read a communication from Mr Nash (Counsellor of the MRA) concerning a request from the team of the Woburn National Guard Co. to be allowed to shoot at Walnut Hill. On motion of Mr Hinman the President appointed Messrs Nash Lynch and Hosmer a Committee to accommodate the Woburn team with shooting at 200 yards at Walnut Hill and also to consider any available possibilities of vacating the injunction placed upon the range by the Court in 1910. The method of issuing guest tickets to the Woburn Guard was suggested.

Adjourned

G. H. Blair. Secy.

July 3rd 1917.

Regular meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus. Dr. Baker in Chair

7. / Present: Messrs Baker Beckford Blair Chase Marshall Merrill Niedner.

The Secretary was instructed to notify Mr Fitz, winner of the Creedmoor Trophy on June 17th 1916 - that his holding of it extended to June 17th 1917, although Mr Niedner won the Trophy for 1917, on April 19th, and to kindly forward Trophy to Mr Niedner. Adjourned.

Fitz: Creedmoor Trophy. 1917.

G H Blair Sec.

Sept 11th - 1917.

Regular meeting held this day at Hotel Napoli. Present: Messrs Bell Baker Beckford Blair Chase Harris Hinman ~~Pratt~~ Merrill and Pratt. No Business

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Adj. G H Blair Sec.

October 2d 1917.

Regular meeting held to day at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell, Blair, Chase, Harris Hinman Kelley Lynch Merrill.

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President Bell suggested to the Range Committee the necessity of repairing the 500 yard targets and also the range telephone wires.

500 yd targets & Telephone

Major Hinman brought up the subject of Gypsy moth nests on the trees at Walnut Hill Range.

Voted: To extend an invitation to Commissioned officers of the United States Army, as guests of the Association, to practise rifle or pistol shooting on regular shooting days at Walnut Hill Range. Adj. G H Blair Sec

Army officers invited to Shoot.

November 7th - 1917.

Regular meeting of Board held to day at Dreyfus.

7. Present: Messrs Bell, Baker, Blair, Chase, Gerrish, Harris, Merrill.

A letter from Mr Hosmer submitting his resignation as a member of the Board was read by the Secretary.

Hosmer's Resig.

Voted: Unanimously; That Mr Hosmer be requested to kindly withdraw his resignation.

Voted: A recommendation to the Prize and Match Committee that the Annual Match at Long Range for the Victor Trophy should start at a given time and that the competitors in the match should shoot in rotation. Adj. G. H. Blair Sec.

Conditions. Long Range Vict. Trophy

Dec 4. 1917.

Regular meeting held to day at Dreyfus.

11 Present: Messrs Bell - Baker - Beckford - Blair - Chase Harris Hinman Kelley Lynch Merrill and Niedner.

Voted: That the Committee on nominating Officers for 1918 be Messrs Chase Niedner and Hosmer.

Current Matches

Voted: That the Committee to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner be Messrs Lynch Bell and Blair.

Voted: To Continue the Current Matches of the MRA in 1918 - same as 1917.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

Jan 2d - 1918.

Regular meeting of Board held this day at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell Baker

9 Blair Chase Hinman Kelley Lynch Merrill Niedner. Reports of the Committee

on Nominations and Annual Meeting and Dinner were read and accepted. A discussion on the standing wood on the Walnut Hill Grounds available for firewood resulted in a vote: That the President appoint a committee to determine methods of disposing of the wood. Such committee to have full power to act. The President appointed Messrs Chase, Hosmer and Niedner.

Fire Wood at Range.

Adjourned. G H Blair Sec

Jan 15th - 1918.

Regular ~~monthly~~ Special meeting of Board held this day at Dreyfus.

9. Present: Messrs Bell Blair Chase. Gerrish Harris Hinman Kelley Marshall Merrill.

By unanimous vote Dr Bell was reelected President of the MRA for 1918.

Dr Bell Pres. (2d)

Also by vote made by motion unanimous the following officials were elected for 1918. Counsellor - N. C. Marsh Jr: Executive Officer A. O. Niedner: Statistical Officer, J. E. Lynch.

The President was requested to submit at the next meeting a list of Committees for 1918.

Adjourned. G H Blair Sec.

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March 5th 1918.

Regular Board Meeting held to day at Dreyfus.

Present: Messrs Bell Baker Richford Blair, Chase Gerrish Harris Hinman, Merrill.

There was a discussion as to the boundary lines at the North East Corner of the land owned by the MRA at Walnut Hill. Mr Anderson (an abutter) claims an angle for his ownership which angle according to the map attached

Boundary Line

Boston, February 5, 1918.

(6) A regular meeting of the Directors of the Massachusetts Rifle Association was held this day at Dreyfus', 14 Beach street, Messrs. Baker, Bell, Chase, Hinman, Harris and Merrill being present.

In absence of the Secretary Samuel Merrill was chosen secretary pro. tem.

It was voted to dispense with the reading of the records of the last meeting.

The President reported nominations for Committees, as follows:

M. R. A.

Committees for 1918.

EXECUTIVE:	Bell (ex.off.), Chase, Kelley, Busfield, Merrill.
FINANCE:	Merrill, Busfield, Chase.
LONG RANGE:	Gerrish, Niedner, Hinman.
MEMBERSHIP:	Baker, Pratt, Blair.
MINIATURE(22):	Niedner, Baker, Foster.
Off hand:	Hosmer, Fitz, Hinman.
Pistol:	Beckford, Foster, Pratt.
Prize & Match:	~~Bennett~~, Gerrish, Beckford, ~~Marshall~~, Kelley. Baker
Range:	Merrill, ~~Marshall~~, Hosmer. Gerrish
Trap:	Foster, Lynch, Kelley.

On motion it was voted that the same be confirmed.

The President reported that he had applied ~~for~~ on behalf of the association for a license for the storage of explosives at the Range, and that the license had been duly granted by the United States Bureau of Mines.

New Member

... held to day at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell Baker Beckford Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Hinman Kelley Lynch Merrill Niedner.

Dr John L. ~~Bastley~~ Bastey - Age 31. - Native State Mass. 657 Wash St Boston was elected to membership - Dues & entrance fee paid.

Adj. G H Blair Sec

A bill of the National Rifle Association of America for re-affiliation for the calendar year 1918 was presented, and on motion it was voted that the same be paid.

A circular from the National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice relating to the indoor Small-Bore match was presented, and on motion it was voted to refer the matter to the Small-Bore Committee of the Board with full powers.

A letter from Nathaniel C. Nash, Jr., relating to the case of certain boys who had broken into the Range property and stolen shot-gun cartridges, was presented. On motion it was voted that, inasmuch as the parents of the boys have not reimbursed the Association as agreed, the Range Keeper be instructed to bring the matter to the attention of the Woburn police.

Adjourned.

Samuel Merrill.
Secretary pro tem.

Present: Messrs Bell Baker Bickford Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Hinman Merrill.

Boundary Line — There was a discussion as to the boundary lines at the North East corner of the land owned by the MRA at Walnut Hill. Mr Anderson (an abutter) claims an angle for his ownership which angle, according to the map attached

N.E. Bounds. — to the MRA's deed on record at East Cambridge is included in the MRA ownership.
No vote was passed on this - entered here to show that the question of boundary has been raised.

2 new members. — Voted to admit to membership
Malcolm F. Partridge - Age 25 - N.S. Mass. address 104 Mt Auburn St. Watertown, Mass.
Charles G. Bills. 68 Wellington Road Medford, Mass.

The Secretary was instructed to notify Range Keeper McKinnon to make ready for shooting targets 3 and 4 at 200 yards.

Adjourned. G H Blair. Sec.

April 2d 1918.

Regular meeting of Board held today
7. at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell Blair Chase Gerrish Kelley Lynch Merrill.

Wakefield Cup. — The Secretary was instructed to write Major Portal concerning the inscription to be placed on the cup won at Wakefield Range in October 1917, by a team of 6 from the Mass Rifle Assocn - also to inquire about delivery of said cup.

License for Explosives — Mr Kelley gave information that those wishing to buy explosives - powder, primers etc should apply for license to Mr Lake or Mr Hathaway - Room 1126. Kimball Bldg. 18 Tremont St.

Adj. G H Blair. Secy.

May 7. 1918

Board meeting held today at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell Baker Bickford Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Hinman Kelley Lynch Merrill Mixter.

New Member — Dr John L. Bastey (Bastay) - Age 31 - Native State Mass. 657 Wash St Boston was elected to membership - Dues & entrance fee paid.

Adj. G H Blair Sec

June 4 – 1918

8 Board meeting held to day at Dreyfus.
Present: Messrs Baker Blair Chase Gerrish Hinman Kelley Merrill Nisdner.

No Meeting till Sept.

Voted: That unless there is a special call for a Directors' Meeting, no meeting be held until the 2d Tuesday in September.

The rate of pay for boys marking on the range was left to the Range Committee for adjustment – Adj. G H Blair Sec.

Sept 11th – 1918.

Board meeting held to day at the Napoli.
5 Present: Messrs Harris, Blair, Lynch. Merrill, Nisdner.

New Member.

Walter S. Gibbons – 121 Howard St. Melrose – was admitted to membership. (Entrance fee paid some time since).

There was discussion as to the advisability of expending money for range repairs this fall.

No vote was passed as the Range Committee is supposed to have power in such case.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

Oct 1st 1918.

Regular meeting of Board held this day
8 at Hotel Napoli.
Present: Messrs Bell, Baker, Blair, Chase, Gerrish, Harris, Hinman Merrill.

Marshall Resigns

Voted: That Capt H R Marshall's resignation from the Board of Directors be accepted with regret and the Secretary was instructed to write Mr Marshall expressing the Board's regret that he is leaving it while congratulating him ~~self~~ on entering his Country's Service.

The President named Mr Gerrish in Mr Marshall's place on the Range Committee and

Dr Baker in Mr Marshall's place on the Prize and Match Committee.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

Nov 5th 1918.

Monthly meeting of the Board held
9. this day at Hotel Napoli.
Present: Messrs Bell, Baker, Beckford Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Hinman Merrill.

No Business.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

Dec 3d 1918.

Regular Board Meeting held today at Dreyfus.
8. Present: Harris Beckford Baker Blair Chase Kelley Lynch Merrill.

Current Matches

Voted: That M R A matches current in the present year be continued in 1919.

Voted: The Committee on nominating officers for 1919 be Messrs Chase Nisdner Hosmer.

Voted: The Committee on arrangements for the Annual Meeting and Dinner be Messrs Lynch Bell Blair.

Dir. Medal.

Voted: That the Directors Medal Match for 1918 be shot on the last Saturday in Dec. 1918 – or at such other time as might be set by agreement of those eligible to shoot.

Adj. G H Blair

Jany 7th 1919.

7. Meeting this day at Dreyfus. Present Messrs Bell Baker Blair Chase Harris Hinman Nisdner.

The Secretary reported for the Annual Meeting Committee and Mr Chase reported for the Committee on nomination of officers.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

Jan. 21st - 1919.

13 + 1 guest. Board Meeting (Special) held to day at Dreyfus for Election of Officers for 1919.
Present: Messrs Bell Baker Blair Chase Funnell. Foster. Gerrish. Harris. Hinman. Kelley. McAleer. Merrill. Niedner. with our guest: Sgt. Sinter.

Pres. Bell reelected 3rd. By unanimous vote of the meeting the Sec. was requested to cast one vote each for re-electing the following Officers.
President - Dr Louis Bell.
Executive Officer - A. O. Niedner.
Statistical Officer - J E Lynde.
Counsellor - N. C. Nash.

Discuss Committees. The President was requested to submit a list of Committees for 1919 at the next meeting of the Board. At the request of the President, for his guidance in choosing, there was discussion and suggestion for the personnel of several Committees.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

Feby 4th 1919.

Board meeting held to day at Dreyfus.
10. Present: Messrs Bell. Baker. Blair. Chase. Funnell. Gerrish. Hinman. Kelley. Merrill. Niedner. The President submitted a list of Committees for 1919 - which the Board voted to accept.

Exec. - Bell (ex off) Chase. Kelley. Marshall. Merrill.
Finance - Merrill. Bickford. Chase.
L. Range - Gerrish. Hinman. McAleer.
Members. - Baker. Pratt. Blair.
Minia. (22) - Niedner. Baker. Foster.
Offhand - Hosmer. Fitz. Hinman.
Pistol - Funnell. Bickford. Foster.

Prize & Match - Gerrish. Hosmer. Funnell. Marshall. Nash.
Range - Niedner. Hosmer. Merrill.
Trap. - Foster. Lynde. Kelley.

Direc. Med. Voted: That the date of the 1919 Directors' Medal Match be left to a discussion by the Prize and Match Committee with instructions to report on the same at the earliest opportunity to the Board.

Revision of Rules. Voted: That the Prize and Match Committee revise the existing, and now obsolete, shooting rules and suggest a form of rules to take place of former ones. Such revision to be submitted to the Board.

New Match Sil. Vict. Voted: That a match be instituted at 200 yards - position prone - Standard American Target - Any rifle - sights - or ammunition - best ten scores to win - Match to be finished by July 1st (or date set by P. & M. Comm.) 1st prize Silver Victory Medal - 2d prize Bronze Victory Medal. Details - including price of tickets - left to Prize & Match Comm.
This match to be - if possible - a basis for a future Gold Victory Medal match in the prone position at 200 yards.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

March 4th 1919.

10. Regular monthly meeting held to day at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell Baker Blair Chase Gerrish Harris Hinman Kelley McAleer Merrill.

Voted: That the price of ~~medal~~ tickets for the new Silver and Bronze Victory medal match be 20 cents each.

New member. Voted: That Mr Lionel Cobb - Age 60 - address 201 Devonshire St. - N.S. Mass. be admitted to membership. (Entrance fee pd. March 15th/19)

The Secretary was instructed (G.H.B.) to get copies of bills pending in Legislature of Mass. relating to

Purchase &c of Firearms. (Sec. obtained copies of Senate Bill No 44 and House Bills Nos. 120 - 196 - 631 & 1219 - which he forwarded to Mr N C Nash Jr. Councellor of N.R.A.)

Adjourned. G. H. Blair Sec.

April 1st - 1919.

Regular Board Meeting held to day. Dreyfus.

8 Present: Messrs Baker Blair Chase Hinman Kelley Lynch Merrill Niedner. At the request of Pres Bell who arrived but was unable to stay, Mr Merrill occupied the Chair.

New Member — Voted: That Mr W. Herbert Wedger - age 27. Address 499 Audubon Road Boston be admitted to membership - his entrance fee having been paid.

Rifle Club ammunition issues. — The Secretary was instructed to find out from the N.R.A. Authorities at Washington the present N.R.A. arrangements for issuing ammunition to Rifle Clubs and to obtain same if possible.

Adj. G H Blair Sec

May 6 - 1919.

Regular meeting of Board held today at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell Baker

10 Bickford Blair Chase Kelley Lynch McAleer Merrill Niedner.

Requisitions from Nat. R.A. — Voted: That the Secretary requisition about everything available from the National Rifle Association and National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice at Washington which might be of use in the shooting at Walnut Hill.

Paying Range Keeper — Voted: That the Range Committee have full power to use their best judgment in the matter of Engaging and arranging for payment of a Range Keeper.

Shooting tickets — Voted: That the Range Committee have full discretion about the sale or distribution of shooting tickets until the appointment of a new Range Keeper. Adj. G H Blair Sec

June 3. 1919.

Regular Board Meeting held to day at Dreyfus. Present Messrs Bell, Baker Bickford Harris Hinman Kelley and Niedner.

New Member — Wallace L. Darling - age 40. N. State Mass - address Custom House Boston was admitted to membership entrance fee having been paid.

Voted: To hold the next Directors meeting on the second Tuesday in September unless special necessity arises. F. L. Bickford Sec pro tem

Entered by G H Blair Sec.

Sept 9th / 1919.

Board meeting held to day at Hotel Napoli. Present: Messrs Bell Blair Burnell Lynch

7 Wallace Merrill Niedner.

The following new members were voted in - the entrance fee of each having accompanied application. (subject to approval of membership Committee.)

5 New members
- Charles M. Wilds - age 40 - 64 Wingate St Haverhill Mass.
- L. H. Clough - age 37 - Kennebunk Maine.
- J. M. Aman - 30 - 270 River St Haverhill. Mass. (N.S. Pa)
- Asa A Balch - age 49 - Haverhill Mass. (N.S. Mass)
- Louis A Jones - age 39 - 50 Congress St Boston - (N.S. Mass)

Voted: That the range Committee be authorized to repair sufficient for its preservation, the old ... N.R.A. ... per ... on ... ise

Advertisement in Boston Globe May 4 and 5, 1919, under "Male Help Wanted":

RIFLE RANGE KEEPER—Part-time job, especially for returned soldier; married man preferred; cottage, barn, garden; chance for chicken farm. J 25, Globe office. SuM*

John D. Wallace was engaged as Range Keeper, and assumed charge the last week in May. The Association agreed to allow him the use of the Range Keeper's house rent-free, and to give him at least one day's employment each week, at 30 cents an hour, paying him also 30 cents an hour for any further work performed.

Purchase &c of Firearms. (Sec. obtained copies of Senate Bill No 44 and House Bills Nos. 120 - 196 - 631 & 1219 - which he forwarded to Mr W. McNash Jr. Councellor of M.R.A.)

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- Louis A Jones - age 39 - 50 Congress St Boston - (N.S. Mass)

Voted: That the range Committee be authorized to repair sufficient for its preservation, the old shed which was the first shooting house of the M.R.A.

Voted: That the Range Committee put up a proper sign at the entrance to Walnut Hill Range on Salem St Woburn to indicate the M.R.A. premises to passers-by:

Adj. G H Blair Sec

Oct 7. 1919.

Regular Board meeting held today at Dreyfus.
10. Present: Messrs Bell Blair Gerrish Funnell Harris Kelley Lynch McAleer Merrill Niedner.

Voted: That the Treasurer be empowered to provide the Prize and Match Committee with prizes as authorized - utilizing as far as possible medals in stock belonging to the M.R.A.

Prizes from Stock Medals

Voted: That the President appoint a Committee to confer with a Committee from the Boston Rifle and Revolver Club as to a proposed amalgamation of the Massachusetts Rifle Association and the Boston Rifle and Revolver Club. The Chair appointed Messrs Bell (chairman) Lynch, Kelley, Nash and Harris. Adj. G H Blair Sec.

Amalgamation

Nov 4 - 1919.

Regular meeting of Board held today at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs Bell Blair Harris
11 Hinman Hosmer Kelley Lynch Marshall Merrill Nash and Niedner.

Voted: That the President be empowered to call the next meeting of the Board at his discretion: whether or not on the first Tuesday of December.

Next meeting upto Pres.

Voted: That the Secretary be instructed to arrange (subject to the approval of the President) for a time and place of a special meeting to be held on or about Tues Dec 2-1919 to consider and take action upon certain proposed amendments to the by laws; and to give not less than seven days notice thereof by mail to all members setting forth the purpose of said meeting. The said notices to be approved by the Counsel.

Special meeting

Voted - Gerald Vincent Lally - age 32 yrs 6 mos - P.O. address 73 Hatcher St. Roslindale. Nat. St. Mass. ~~was~~ to be admitted to membership in M.R.A. his dues having accompanied his application. Adj. G H Blair Sec.

New Members

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

The undersigned ten members of the Massachusetts Rifle Association hereby submit to the Board of Directors in accordance with Article IX of the by-laws the following proposed amendments to the by-laws of the association.

The paragraph added to Article VI by vote of March 4, 1911 is hereby amended by striking out the same and inserting *nothing* in its place ~~the following so as to read as follows~~:-

~~There shall be two classes of members, viz:- Life Members and Sustaining Members. The Sustaining Members shall include such Life Members as shall elect to pay the dues of Sustaining Membership.~~ *Annual* *Annual* *Annual*

Article VII, Paragraph 3 is hereby amended in the second line by changing the sixth word "three" to "ten" so as to read as follows:-

Paragraph 3 - The annual dues except for existing Life Members, who are exempt, shall be ten dollars, payable in advance on the first day of January in each year, and if the annual dues of any member shall remain unpaid for four months thereafter, his membership shall cease, and he cannot be reinstated except by vote of the Board of Directors and payment of all arrears to the Association.

Article VII, Paragraph 4 is hereby amended by striking out said paragraph and inserting nothing in its place.

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Louis Bell — G H Blair
Harry P. Marshall — Nathaniel C. Nash Jr
Geo L Hosmer — John E Kelley
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There shall be two classes of members, viz:- Life Members and Annual Members. The ... Members shall include such Life Members as shall elect to pay the dues of Annual Membership.

Article VII, Paragraph 3 is hereby amended in the second line by changing the sixth word "three" to "ten" so as to read as follows:

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Prizes from Stock ...

Amalgamate

Next meet upto Pres

Special meeting

Dec. 2 - 1919.

Regular meeting of Board held today at the Boston City Club.

8 Present: Messrs Bell. Beckford. Blair. Harris. Hinman. Hosmer. Kelley. Merrill.

The Committee to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner appointed by the President - Lynch Bell Blair.

On motion of Mr Merrill the Committee for nominating Officers for 1920 to be appointed at the next Directors' Meeting - Jan 6 - 1920

Adj. G H Blair Sec

Meeting at Hotel Dryer.

This is the meeting of M. R. A. January 6th, 1920.

Meeting called to order at 2.10 P. M.
<u>President</u> Louis Bell in the Chair.
Directors present:-
8 — Beckford, Fennell, Hinman, Merrill, Harris, Kelly, Lynch and McAleer.

Mr. McAleer, Acting Secretary in the Absence of Secretary Blair.

<u>COMMITTE REPORT</u>

Committee Annual Dinner: at City Club, Tuesday, January 13th preceeded by Business meeting 5.30 P. M.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>

Merge of Boston Revolver & Rifle Club & M. R. A. will probably develope later.

<u>THESE STATMENTS BY PRESIDENT BELL</u>

Membership Committe appointed by chair-
Chairman-Major Hinman, Kelly & McAleer.

Lynch out. — Treasurer Lynch suggested that the nominating Committee take notice that he did not want to hold office during 1920.

<u>Application for Membership</u>

New Member — Chester Hosmer, 280 Washington Street, Woburn, Mass., elected.

Motioned by Major Hinman that directors eligible to shoot for directors match for 1919 could agree to shoot same during 1920., Seconded by Kelly, voted on and passed.

Resignations

<u>Resignation s</u>
Both — Doctor H. A. Baker, having moved to Hillbury, N. H. sent resignation through Mr. John Kelly.
John W. Badger, Boston, Mass. and Chester ~~Bart~~ Pratt of West Newton. All Accepted and Secretary instructed to notify them.

Entered by G H Blair Sec.

January 20/1920.

A special meeting of the Board was held to-day at Dreyfus for the election of Officers for
7 1920. Present: Messrs Bell Beatey Blair Harris Hinman Hosmer Niedner.

Bell President

By vote of the Board the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for: Dr Louis Bell for President. A. O. Niedner for Executive Officer: Geo L Hosmer for Statistical Officer and N. C. Nash Jr for Counsellor.

The President was requested to submit a list of Committees for 1920 at the next (February) meeting of the Board. Adj. G H Blair Sec.

February 3rd - 1920.

Regular meeting of Board held today at Dreyfus. Present: Messrs. Bell Blair Hinman Kelley Marshall and Nash.

The President submitted a list a list of Committees for 1920 which were accepted and authorized by the Board.

Committees for 1920

Executive: Bell (ex off) Kelley. Marshall. Funnell. Niedner.
Finance: Merrill. Buckford. Foster.
Long Range: Gerrish. Hinman. McAleer.
Membership: Kelley. Beatey. Blair.
Miniature: Niedner. Bills. McAleer.
Offhand: Hosmer. Fitz. Hinman.
Pistol: Funnell. Buckford. Partridge.
Prize & Match: Gerrish. Hosmer. Funnell. Gibbons. Nash.
Range: Bills. Hosmer. Marshall.

On motion of Mr Marshall it was voted:

Hosmer Treasurer

That George L. Hosmer, be and hereby is, authorized and empowered to deposit in and draw funds from the Boylston National Bank as Treasurer of the Mass. Rifle Association, and to do all other acts necessary to his duties as such Treasurer.

Voted: That the Secretary notify Mr Samuel

Merrill Chairman Finance. Invitation to meetings.

Merrill of his appointment as chairman of the Finance Committee, and also to extend to him an invitation to attend the Directors Meetings.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

March 2 - 1920.

Monthly meeting of Board held today at Dreyfus.
7 Present: Messrs Bell Blair Hinman Kelley Marshall Merrill Niedner.

There was a discussion of the Amalgamation proposed with the Boston R. & R. Club - also discussion of Legislation on possession of firearms, but no formal action was taken by the Board. Adj. G H Blair Sec.

April 6 - 1920.

Monthly meeting of Board held today at the City Club.
8. Present: Messrs Bell Bills Blair Harris. Hinman Kelley Nash Partridge.

New member

Thomas F. J. Herron. Age 38 - Nat State Ohio - address 40 Southbourne Road - Jamaica Plain - was voted in a member of the MRA subject to the usual conditions. (Paid)

Bills report on Range

Mr Bills - chairman of the Range Committee, made a comprehensive report on the state of the Range at Walnut Hill with several excellent suggestions.

Vote $300.

Voted: That the Range Committee be authorized to expend $300.00 (Three Hundred Dollars) in making necessary repairs to the Range.

Legislation

It was the sense of the meeting that the bill relating to firearms before the Legal Committee of the Mass. House of Representatives as suggested by Mr Greene, be endorsed by the Mass. Rifle Assocn.

Directors meetings

The Secretary was instructed to write each of the Directors and ascertain each one's preference as to day and time of meeting.

and to call the next (May) meeting at the City Club in accordance with views as expressed.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

Friday - May 14. 1920.

The Monthly meeting of the Directors was held this day at the City Club.

10 Present: Messrs - Bell Bills Blair Beckford Fennell Gibbons Hosmer McAleer Nash Partridge.

New Day for Meetings — After a discussion and expressions of opinion on various days and hours the Secretary was instructed to call the June Directors Meeting for Friday June 11th at 5.30 P.M. at the City Club.

Flag Pole — On motion of Mr. Beckford the President according to vote appointed a Committee of three to rustle for a flag pole for Walnut Hill Range. Beckford McAleer and Fennell.

Kendall reinstated — By vote of the Board Richard F Kendall was reinstated a member in good standing on payment of dues for the present year.

By vote of the Board the following were admitted to membership in the MRA subject to the usual Conditions.

12 New Members

pd - M. Perry Sipprelle - Age 44 - N.S. Maine. address 6. Beacon St. Boston.

pd 10 George H Atkinson. Age 29. N.S. Mass. 40 State St. Boston Metropolitan Trust Co.

pd 10 Eugene S. Randall. Age 47. N.S. Mass. 152 Milk St Boston.

pd 10 Carroll B Day Age 38 - N.S. Me. 364 Washington St Boston

Aug 5-20 pd F. Herman Souther. Age 37. N.S. Mass. 56. Fourth St, Medford.

Withdrawn ~~Lincoln Wadsworth. Age 47. N.S. Mass 87 St Stephens St. Boston~~ (17)

pd Harold S. McPherson - Age 24 N.S. Mass - 198 Green St - Cambridge 39 Mass

pd - Dr. H R Brunton Age 44. 93 Rockland Ave. Malden. Mass

William E. Patten - Age 42. N.S. New Hamp. Arborway Court 280 South St Forest Hills.

Charles H. Kelly 30 Alaric St West Roxbury

pd - Harry F. Ollis 16 Osborne St Cambridge

pd. Frank E. Whipple 17 Austin St Milton.

Adj. G H Blair Sec.

June 11th - 1920.

Regular meeting of the Board held this day at the Boston City Club.

10/ Present: Messrs Bell Beckford Bills Blair Gibbons Harris Hinman Hosmer Niedner Partridge.

The Flag pole committee reported that the new Pole would be in place on June 14th D.V.

Voted: That the Prize and Match Committee have full authority to settle all points arising in connection with current matches at Walnut Hill and the Committee was requested to bring in a report of any further action regarding proposed matches.

Sunday Shooting. — The President informed the meeting that Mr Nash had secured the Mayor of Woburn's permission to practise shooting on Sunday at Walnut Hill Range, and it was

Only Small Calibre ".22" Sunday — Voted: That all Sunday shooting be confined entirely to rifles or pistols using .22 rim fire cartridges only.

Death of Chase — On motion of Mr Beckford the President was requested to serve on a Committee to draw up resolutions in respect to the memory of the late Mr D. L. H. Chase - for a long time member - director and President of the MRA. The President appointed to serve with him on the Committee, Mr Beckford and Mr Harris.

Letter from Rich. D. Chase — The secretary read a letter from Mr Chase's brother, Mr Richard D Chase, appreciating the Association's attentions in sending flowers and attendance at the funeral of Mr D. L. H. Chase.

New Members

(Ent. fee paid) Ellerton James - Age 47 - 10 Post Office Square Boston - N.S. Mass - and

(pd.) Ellis Spear Jr " 43 - 626 Fremont Building - N.S. Dist. Columbia

were admitted (Subject to usual Conditions) to membership.

The secretary was instructed to call a meeting of the Board for July 9th at the City Club.

Adjourned. G H Blair Sec.

July 9th 1920.

Regular meeting of Board held to day at City Club.

9 Present: Messrs Bell ~~Blair~~ Bickford Blair, Fennell Gibbons Hosmer McAlear Nash Niedner.

Resolution on Mr Chase's death

A tribute to the memory of the late Mr D. L. F. Chase was read by President Bell for the memorial Committee and it was voted to place it on the Assoc. records, also to send a copy to the kinsfolk of Mr Chase. It was also voted to appoint Mr Harris a Committee of one to confer with Mr Richard D. Chase (brother of D. L. F. Chase) with regard to his generous offer to place certain of Mr Chase's prizes or medals at the disposition of the M.R.A. to constitute a memorial to Mr D. L. F. Chase.

Mr Harris: Chase Memorial

It was suggested by Mr Nash that such medals or prizes as should be donated by Mr Richard Chase be arranged if possible in a frame or on a shield or in some compact and portable form to form a trophy for an Annual Match to be called the "Chase Memorial" (or other proper title) - to be shot for each year and held for one year by the winner. It was suggested also that this Chase trophy be placed on exhibition once each year at the Annual Meeting and Dinner.

Possible Chase Memorial Trophy

Voted: That tickets for medal shooting in the "M" match be 40 (forty) cents each.

"M" Match prices.

There was discussion concerning the "L" match and also on making a change in Calendar dates for medal shooting other than confining medal shooting to the Calendar and compelling shooters to finish scores by January 1st in each year. The meeting felt that further discussion of these matters would be advisable.

Change in Calendar.

The Range Committee was instructed to clean up the Magazine at Walnut Hill Range and make such disposition of material found therein as they see fit.

Powder Magazine

Mention was made of a rifle belonging to the late James N. Frye which still remains in the safe at the Range House. The Secretary was instructed to discover some one who has jurisdiction in Mr Frye's estate and deliver the rifle. Ad. G H Blair Sec

Mr Frye's Rifle

No Directors appeared at the City Club for the meeting called for to day except Dr Bell and the Secretary. No Quorum.

G H Blair Secy

WHEREAS it hath pleased Almighty God to withdraw from our fellowship to His own eternal keeping our beloved comrade and friend Daniel L. F. Chase.

BE IT RESOLVED. That we the Directors of the Massachusetts Rifle Association tender to his bereaved kinsfolk our sincerest and most heartfeld sympathy.

A member of our Association for thirty five years, of our Board for most of that period and for a decade our President, he was unswervingly devoted to our common interests and bore no small part in their advancement. His constant friendship and wise advice we greatly valued and to us, as to his kindred, his death brings a sense of profound personal loss, and his example of righteousness and faithful loyalty a keen stimulus to higher ideals of life and citizenship.

(Signed by) Louis Bell
Henry L Harris
Francis S. Beckford
Committee.

(By G. H Blair. Secy)

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August 13 – 1920

No Quorum Meeting of Board this day at City Club. Present Messrs Bell Beckford Blair Gibbons. No Quorum. G H Blair Sec

Sept 10th – 1920.

Meeting of Board held to day at the City Club. Present: Messrs Bell Beckford Bills Blair Fennell Gerrish Hinman Nash Partridge.

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New Members Frank W Carnes age 45 – Nat. State – New York – address 38 Chardon St Boston was admitted to membership his admission fee $10.00 having been paid in July / 20.

Carl Neilson – age 16 – N. S. Mass. 9 Holden Place – Woburn

Eugene D Squires. Age 22. N. S. North Carolina 321 Washington St Woburn. – should have been properly presented at this meeting but for an oversight by the Secretary.

Age limit for members There was discussion as to Neilson's age but it was the sense of the meeting that he be admitted – time being relied on to remedy a deficiency of years.

Credit for late joining laid on table It was moved and seconded that members in future joining after July 1st in any year and paying their entrance fee of Ten Dollars, be credited with Five Dollars on the following year's dues. On motion of Mr Nash this motion was laid on the table.

Selling tickets Voted: That all tickets in practice and regular matches be sold singly or in blocks – with no reduction in price – as shooters may desire. Adjourned.

G H Blair Sec

~~Aug~~ Oct. 8th. 1920.

No Directors appeared at the City Club for the meeting called for to day except Dr Bell and the Secretary. No Quorum.

G H Blair Secy

November 12 – 1920.

Board Meeting held to day at City Club.
6 Present: Messrs Bell - Bickford - Bills - Funnell Gibbons - Hinman.
Voted: That the Treasurer be instructed to collect the 1921 dues in advance as far as possible in order to replenish the Treasury.
Voted: That the Secretary be instructed to furnish at the December meeting of the Board a full list of the membership of the Association.
The following new members were elected:
Ralph E. Runels - 33 - N.S. Mass - 4 Harland Ave Lowell
Carl Nilson - 16 - 9 Holden Place Woburn. N.S. Mass.
Eugene D Squires - 24 - N.S. North Carolina - 321 Washington St Woburn.
Informal discussion was had as to the Prize & Match Comm. taking such steps as to them seem best to awaken more interest in shooting.
Word was received from Mr Harris asking to be relieved of the work of the Chase Memorial Committee, and, on request of the President, Maj. Hinman kindly consented to take charge of it. Adj. F S Bickford. Entered by GHB.

December 10th 1920.

The Regular Board Meeting held to day at the City Club.
10 Present: Messrs Bell Basley Bickford Bills Funnell Hinman McAleer Nash Partridge, Blair
The secretary was instructed to send notice to all Life Members that owing to the Government Requirement of a correct list of members those who do not reply giving their correct addresses will be omitted from the list of membership sent to Washington.
Voted: That the bill on owning or carrying weapons as submitted to the Board by Mr Nash be placed before the proper Legislative Committee, that it be supported by the MRA as a body and that Mr Nash as Counsel be given full power in this matter.

Messrs Bills Kelley and Hinman were appointed as a Committee on nominating officers for the ensuing year.
Messrs Hosmer Bell and Blair were appointed a Committee to arrange for the Annual Meeting and Dinner on Jany 11th - 1921.
Voted: That the next Directors meeting be held on Jany 7th - Friday - at the City Club.
Adj. G H Blair Sec.

January 7th 1921.

Regular meeting of the Board to day at the City Club.
The report of the nominating ~~Comm~~ Committee was read and accepted.
The chairman of the Dinner and Annual Meeting Committee not being present the report of that Committee was waived as all arrangements had already been made and the notices sent out.
The resignation of Mr Harry F. Ellis was accepted with regret.
A letter from Mr A O Niedner resigning his membership in the MRA was read. The Secretary was instructed to report at the Annual Meeting a proposal from the Directors that Mr Niedner be granted an Honorary Membership in the MRA in view of his long connection, his excellence as a rifle shot, his very frequent attendance at the Range where for sixteen years he was executive officer and his ~~mechanical~~ contributions to the mechanical excellence of weapons and projectiles.
7 Present: Messrs Bell Bickford Bills Blair Harris Kelley and Nash.
Adj. G H Blair - Sec.

January 11, 1921.

Place Boston City Club. Called to order at 6:10 P.M.
In Chair
Present 14 Basty, Beckford, Bennett, Bills, Slarling, Fennell, Fox, Genish, Gibbons, Hinman, Kelley, Partridge, Siffulle and Whipple.

Election President The election of a President resulted as follows:

W. E. Fennell	11
Dr. Louis Bell	1
Blank	2

The Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the election of the following officers:
Counselor Counselor — N. C. Nash, Jr.
Ex. Officer Executive Officer — C. G. Bills (Kelley-Bennett)
Statistical " Statistical Officer — M. F. Partridge (Kelley-Bennett)

Next Meeting It was voted to hold the next meeting, Friday, Jan. 14th at 5:00 P.M. at 160 Congress St., Boston.

Adjourned at 6:20 P.M. (Kelley-Bills)
Malcolm F. Partridge, Secy.

January 14, 1921.

Place 160 Congress St., Boston. Called to order at 5:20 P.M.
In Chair President Fennell.
Present 11 Basty, Beckford, Bills, Slarling, Fennell, Genish, Fox, Hinman, Partridge, Siffulle, & Whipple.

Committees The Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the committees as follows:
Executive: Fennell (ex. off.), Genish, Bills, Gibbons & Bell.
Finance: Siffulle, Beckford, Fox.
Long Range: Genish, Hinman, Gibbons.

Membership: Kelley (Chairman), Slarling, Partridge.
Miniature: Genish, Partridge, Gibbons.
Off Hand: Whipple, Kelley, Hinman.
Pistol: Basty, Bell, Slarling.
Prize & Match: Genish, Kelley, Fox, Gibbons, Whipple.
Range: Bills, Genish, Gibbons.
Trap: Bills, Basty, Siffulle.

Firing Targets The Range Committee was instructed to report at the next meeting, the cost of providing the following number of targets.

200 yards	4	300 yards	2
500 & 600 "	2	1000 "	2

The estimate to include putting the above targets in first class condition so that they may be used at a moments notice. (Hinman-Slarling)

Injunction It was voted to investigate the injunction with a view to having same removed. (Genish-Bills)

Financial Mr. Siffulle was instructed to investigate the financial standing of the Association with a view to raising money needed for repairs.

Shooting Tickets Statistical Officer instructed to report on shooting tickets. (Genish-Basty)

Next Meeting It was voted to hold the next meeting on Fri. Jan. 28 at 5:00 P.M. at 160 Congress St. Boston.

By-Laws Revised The Secretary was instructed to furnish a revised copy of the By-Laws at the next meeting. (Bills-Basty)

N.E.R.P. Assn. It was voted to affiliate with the New England Rifle & Pistol Association at a cost of $5.00. (Partridge-Whipple)

The Prize & Match Committee was instructed to suggest changes in the rules & regulations for the annual and medal matches.

and report as soon as possible. (Bills-Bennett)

Adjourned at 6:50 P.M. (Gerrish-Bennett)

Malcolm F. Partridge, Secy.

January 28, 1921.

Place 160 Congress St. Boston. Called to order at 5:10 P.M.
In Chair President Fennell.
Present 16 Bastey, Beckford, Bennett, Bills, Blair, Harling, Fennell, Gerrish, Gibbons, Hinman, Kelley, Marshall, Nash, Partridge, Sipprelle & Whipple.

Resignations The resignation of F. B. Crowninshield was read and accepted.

New Members The Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for election to membership of.
Henry M. Binney 35 U.S. Mass. 35 Frank St. Cambridge
Edgar W. Harris 32 U.S. Mass. 267 Allston St. Cambridge

No work on 1000 yd Range Marshall made a motion (seconded by Nash) that no work be done on the 1000 yard range for the present. Motion was defeated 8 to 4.

No attempt to open 2 targets at 1000 yds. Nash motioned (sec. by Hinman) that no attempt be made to open two targets at 1000 yards this year. Passed.

Ranges to be Repaired Nash motioned (sec. by Marshall) that it is the sense of the meeting that repairs be made when necessary at the following ranges, viz: 1000, 600, 500, 300, 200, 100, 50 & 25 yds. Passed.

$1000 raised by Subscription Nash motioned (sec. by Hinman) that $1000.00 be raised by subscription among the members for repairing the range. Not a vote.

$1000 raised by Mortgage. Bills motioned that the Finance Committee be instructed to raise $1000.00 by mortgage. Nash-Bills ammended: That principal on said mortgage be reduced by equal annual installments. Ammendment Passed. Motion as ammended - Passed.

Secy to notify Finance Com- The Secretary was instructed to notify the Finance Committee of above motion and that said Committee was instructed to consult Counselor in regard to whether a meeting of the members will be required to validate the mortgage.

Adjourned at 7:25 P.M.
Malcolm F. Partridge, Secy.

March 22, 1921.

Place 363 Atlantic Ave. Boston. Called to order at 7:02 P.M.
In Chair President Fennell.
Present 9 Bastey, Bennett, Blair, Harling, Fennell, Gerrish, Gibbons, Partridge and Whipple.

Minutes The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Never Paid Any Dues The Secretary was instructed to write the following applicants and inform them that dues for 1920 not having been paid within four months of election, they were not entitled to membership unless they remit amount due.
Charles H. Kelly
Carl Nelson
Eugene H. Squires

New Members The Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for election to membership of the following:
J. E. Brady 26 U.S. 14 Bliss Ave., Mansfield
John E. Hobbs 29 U.S. Mass. 24 Kilgore Ave., W. Medford
Geo. H. Kimball 56 U.S. Mass. 22 Evans Way, Boston
Adolph J. Beauchamp 30 U.S. Mich. Walnut Hill Rifle Range
Geo. F. Hay 61 U.S. Maine 21 Haverhill St. Boston

Resignations Resignations of the following members were accepted:

March 22, 1921.

Resignations — Gerald V. Lally
H. S. McPherson
J. M. Aman

Resignation of Director — The resignation of Harry H. Marshall from the Board of Directors was read and accepted.

Resignation Counsel — The resignation of Nathaniel C. Nash, Jr. as Counsel was read and accepted.

Secy bill — A bill from the Secretary for $23.12 was approved for payment by the Treasurer.

Victory Medal Die Repaired — Voted to have die for Victory Medal repaired at a cost of $10.00.

Matches for .22 rifle .45 Auto pistol — Gerrish motioned (Sec. by Bennett) that the Prize & Match Committee be instructed to put on matches to run until July 1st. under the following conditions:
.22 Cal. rifle 100 yards. 10 high scores to count. Targets 10¢ ea.
.45 Auto pistol (no revolvers allowed) 25 yds. National Pistol Course – 5 high scores to count. Entry fee 30¢ per course.
The prize in each of above matches to be a bronze Victory Medal. Motion Passed.

Team in N. E. League — Bennett motioned (sec by Gerrish) that the Association enter a team in the New England Rifle & Pistol Association Small Bore Outdoor League without expense to the Association. The members of team to pay entrance fee. Motion Passed.
The following members each paid $4.50 towards entrance fee: Bennett, Gerrish, Gibbons, Partridge, Siffulle, Basty, Fennell, Southe, Harling, Binney.

New Director — Bennett motioned (Sec by Gerrish) that Geo H. Kimball be elected a Director to fill a vacancy. Passed.

March 22, 1921.

New Counsel — Gerrish motioned (Sec. by Bennett) that W. P. Siffulle be elected Counsel to fill vacancy. Passed.

Adjourned at 8:16 P.M.
Malcolm J. Partridge Secy.

April 12, 1921.

Place — 363 Atlantic Ave., Boston, Mass.
In Chair — W. P. Siffulle (appointed by Secy) — Called to order at 7:18 P.M.
Present 10 — Basty, Bennett, Harling, Gerrish, Gibbons, Kimball, Partridge, Southe, Siffulle and Whipple.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Resignations — The resignations of O. C. Hubbard and G. H. Atkinson were read and accepted.

Bond for Ordnance Stores. — Voted to authorize the Secretary to execute a bond for ordnance and ordnance stores issued by the Director of Civilian Marksmanship. (Basty-Harling) Passed.

M.I.T. to use range? — A letter from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in reference to use of range was referred to the Range Committee. (Harling-Whipple) Passed.

Sunday Shooting — It was voted to open the range on Sunday for customary shooting. (Whipple-Bennett). Passed.

Secy's Bill — Secretary's bill $16.95 approved for payment. (Gerrish-Gibbons). Passed.

No cut price tickets — It was voted to eliminate the sale of shooting tickets at a cut rate. (Harling-Gerrish) Passed.

New Shooting Rules — "Rifle Marksmanship" and "Pistol Marksmanship" were adopted as the official shooting rules of the Club. (Partridge-Harling) Passed.

April 12, 1921

State Team Use of Range — Voted to allow the State rifle team to use the range upon a payment of $5.00 per day. No markers furnished. (Harling - Gerrish) Passed.

Adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Malcolm F. Partridge, Secy.

SCORE CARDS

Members desiring score cards may obtain same without charge.

TARGETS

Targets for practice are furnished gratis and should be used with discretion.

AMMUNITION

SHOOTING CHARGES

******* June 7, 1921. *******

	Day	Year
Rifle Range, 200-1000 Yds. (no markers)	.50	5.00
Rifle Range, Small Bore	.50	5.00
Pistol Range	.50	5.00
Traps	.50	5.00

Combination rate of $10.00 covers all ranges

Applications for the Yearly rates must be made with the Secretary before same can take effect.

EVERY PERSON USING THE RANGES MUST SIGN THEIR NAME IN THE SHOOTING REPORT BEFORE STARTING TO SHOOT. THIS APPLIES TO ALL PERSONS WHETHER USING THE RANGES BY THE DAY OR YEAR. READ THE DIRECTIONS IN THE BOOK.

No person will use the ranges for over twenty shots while others are waiting to use same. Not over twenty-five shots to be fired at the traps while others are waiting.

MARKERS

Markers will be furnished every Saturday and Holidays from 10:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M. for shooting at 200 Yards. Markers furnished at other ranges when conditions warrant.

Every person using markers will pay a fixed rate of 50¢ per day in addition to the range fee.

Persons using markers will not fire over ten shots at the ranges or twenty-five shots at the traps while others are waiting. In matches requiring sighting shots these may be taken in addition to the above.

MATCHES

Members shooting in medal, re-entry, or other matches will pay the usual range fees in addition to match fee.

The range may be closed for practice shooting on days of regular scheduled competitive matches.

August 5, 1921.

Place — Room 714, 6 Beacon St. Boston.

In Chair — President Fennell. Called to order at 6:10 P.M.

Present 12 — Basley, Beckford, Bennett, Bills, Blair, Harling, Fennell, Gerrish, Gibbons, Partridge, Sippelle & Whipple.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were waived.

Auto. Pistol Match — It was voted to start an automatic pistol medal match under National Pistol Match Conditions for a series of "M.R.A. member badges". The scores to be as follows:

5 courses of	272	Gold Medal
5 " "	269	Silver & Gold Medal
5 " "	266	Silver Medal
5 " "	263	Bronze & Silver Medal
5 " "	260	Bronze Medal

Entrance fee 30¢ per course.

Passed (Gerrish - Harling).

Plate for Score Cards — It was voted to authorize the Statistical Officer to expend not exceeding $3.00 on a plate for score cards for the above mentioned pistol match. Passed (Basley - Harling)

Rifle Match Aug. 20th. — It was voted to hold a rifle match on August 20th.

2 ss & 10 for record at 600 yds.

10 shots " " " 500 "

10 " " " 200 " off hand

Match to be held under conditions as specified in "Rifle Marksmanship".

Entrance fee $2.00 Prizes - 1. Gold Seal Medal, 2. Silver Seal Medal, 3. Bronze Seal Medal. The die for these medals has been lost thru the failure of Hayes Bros.

Wakefield Cup. — An effort to have the Wakefield Cup placed in competition as a permanent prize to the winner was declared illegal by the Counselor, and was not brought to a vote.

Victory & Wakefield Cup Matches — The Prize & Match Committee announced that the Victory Trophy Match at 1000 yds would be held on October 1. The match for the Wakefield Cup at 500 yds to be held on October 15.

April 12, 1921

State Team Use of Range — Voted to allow the State rifle team to use the range upon a payment of $5.00 per day. No markers furnished. (Harling - Gerrish.) Passed.

Adjourned at 7:47 P.M.

Malcolm F. Partridge, Sec'y.

SCORE CARDS

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TARGETS

Targets for practice are furnished gratis and should be used with discretion.

AMMUNITION

.30 caliber Springfield cartridges are available for issu to members intending to qualify under the regular army qualif cation course.

Shot gun shells will be sold at actual cost price if in stock.

CLAY BIRDS

A supply of clay birds will be kept on hand and will be so at actual cost price.

RIFLES

Springfield rifles are available for issue to members. Ke to the ordnance locker may be obtained from the Secretary, Rang Keeper or Range Officer. Members desiring keys to this locke may obtain same for 25¢. Members using rifles will be respon- sible for their condition and must clean same before putting away. Cleaning rod, patches and B. S. A. Saftipaste may be found in the locker. Range Keeper will not issue rifles unles member shows membership card.

SPECIAL NOTICE

A discount of 40% will be made on the yearly rates for the balance of the current year.

Official:....M. F. P.........Secretary.

Adopted by the Board of Directors,
June 7, 1921.

August 5, 1921.

Place — Room 714, 6 Beacon St. Boston.

In Chair — President Fennell. Called to order at 6:10 P.M.

Present 12 — Basty, Bickford, Bennett, Bills, Blair, Harling, Fennell, Gerrish, Gibbons, Partridge, Sipprelle & Whipple.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were waived.

Auto Pistol Match — It was voted to start an automatic pistol medal match under National Pistol Match Conditions for a series of "M.R.A. member badges". The scores to be as follows:

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5 " "	260	Bronze Medal

Entrance fee 30¢ per course.

Passed (Gerrish - Harling).

Plate for Score Cards — It was voted to authorize the Statistical Officer to expend not exceeding $3.00 on a plate for score cards for the above mentioned pistol match. Passed (Basty - Harling)

Rifle Match Aug. 20th. — It was voted to hold a rifle match on August 20th.

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10 shots " " " 500 "
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Match to be held under conditions as specified in "Rifleman" ans[illegible]. Entrance fee $2.00 Prizes - 1. Gold Seal Medal, 2. Silver Seal Medal, 3. Bronze Seal Medal. The die for these medals has been lost thru the failure of Hayes Bros.

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April 12, 1921

State Team Use of Range — Voted to allow the State rifle team to use the range upon a payment of $5.00 per day. No markers furnished. (Harling - Gerrish.) Passed.

Adjourned at 7:47 P.M.
Malcolm F. Partridge, Secy

June 4, 1921.

Place — Walnut Hill rifle range
In Chair —
Present — Called to order at P.M.

No meeting held on account of error in date on notice. New notice to be sent out for meeting on June 7th.

June 7, 1921.

Place — Room 714, 6 Beacon St., Boston.
In Chair — President Fennell. Called to order at 6.00 P.M.
Present 8 — Bennett, Blair, Harling, Fennell, Gerrish, Gibbons, Partridge and Sippelle.

Minutes — Minutes of last meeting read and accepted.

Counselor's Bill — Bill of $18.76 (plus one ticket annual dinner $2.50) for legislative expenses of Counselor Nash approved for payment. (Gerrish-Sippelle)

Secy's Bill — Bill of $8.05 of Secretary approved for payment. (Gerrish - Sippelle.)

New Shooting Charges — Voted to accept shooting charges as laid down on attached paper by the Secretary for the balance of the year. If the shooting charges should be changed, members subscribing for annual rate will be entitled to pro rata rebate. (Bennett - Blair.) Passed.

Adjourned at 7:53 P.M.
Malcolm F. Partridge
Secretary

August 5, 1921.

Place — Room 714, 6 Beacon St., Boston.
In Chair — President Fennell. Called to order at 6:10 P.M.
Present 12 — Bastey, Beckford, Bennett, Bills, Blair, Harling, Fennell, Gerrish, Gibbons, Partridge, Sippelle & Whipple.

Minutes — The minutes of the last meeting were waived.

Auto Pistol Match — It was voted to start an automatic pistol medal match under National Pistol Match Conditions for a series of "M.R.A. member badges". The scores to be as follows:

5 courses	of	272	Gold Medal
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5	"	" 260	Bronze Medal

Entrance fee 30¢ per course.
Passed (Gerrish-Harling).

Plate for Score Cards — It was voted to authorize the Statistical Officer to expend not exceeding $3.00 on a plate for score cards for the above mentioned pistol match. Passed (Harling-Bastey)

Rifle Match Aug. 20th. — It was voted to hold a rifle match on August 20th.
2 ss & 10 for record at 600 yds.
10 shots " " " 500 "
10 " " " 200 " off hand
Match to be held under conditions as specified in "Rifle Marksmanship".
Entrance fee $2.00 Prizes - 1. Gold Seal Medal, 2. Silver Seal Medal, 3. Bronze Seal Medal. The die for these medals has been lost thru the failure of Hayes Bros.

Wakefield Cup — An effort to have the Wakefield Cup placed in competition as a permanent prize to the winner was declared illegal by the Counselor, and was not brought to a vote.

Victory & Wakefield Cup Matches — The Prize & Match Committee announced that the Victory Trophy Match at 1000 yds would be held on October 1. The match for the Wakefield Cup at 500 yds to be held on October 15.

Bills It was voted to pay the Secretary's bill for $16.67 and a bill of range supplies presented by the Cutter & Wood Supply Co. thru Mr. Bills.

Shelter at 500 yds. A motion to instruct the Range Committee to have the shelter at the 500 yd firing point torn down was laid on the table by suggestion of Mr. Gerrish.

Adjourned at 7:35 P.M.
Malcolm T. Partridge, Secy

October 25, 1921.

Place Room 714. 6 Beacon St., Boston.
In Chair President Tennell. Called to order at 6:05 P.M.
Present 8 Bastey, Bills, Starling, Tennell, Gerrish, Partridge, Sippelle, Whipple.

Change in Auto Pistol Match Tennell read a new set of scores which he desired substituted for those now in force for the automatic pistol medal match. They were as follows:

5 scores of	240	Bronze Medal.
5 " "	250	Silver & Bronze Medal.
5 " "	260	Silver Medal.
5 " "	266	Silver & Gold Medal.
5 " "	272	Gold (14k) Medal.

Medals to be shot for one at a time, that is, if a member is trying for a medal in the 260 class and gets one or two scores in a higher class, these must be turned in with the other tickets and can not be saved to apply in the higher class.
This match to run indefinitely.

— Rules —

10 shots slow fire
10 " timed " (5 shots in 20 sec.) } = 1 score
10 " Rapid " (5 " " 10 ")

Arm - .45 auto pistol, Government model. Trigger pull not less than 4 lbs.

Ammunition - Any provided it is not less than the full load factory cartridge.
Target - Standard American 50 yard.
Range - 25 yards.
Entrance fee - 30¢ per score.
All used tickets to be turned in to the Statistical Officers when a series has been completed for any one medal.
Gerrish motioned (seconded by Bills) that the above rules be accepted. Passed.

New Rangekeeper A letter from Mr. Henry M. Binney applying for the position of Range Keeper as soon as a vacancy occurs, was read by the Secretary. A discussion was held and the fact brought out that the present Range Keeper, Adolph J. Beauchamp, has not fullfilled his duties in a manner satisfactory to the Board of Directors. Therefore Mr. Kelley motioned (seconded by Whipple) that Beauchamp be discharged on March 1, 1922, and that Binney be appointed subject to his drawing up a contract with the Range Committee which would prove satisfactory to that Committee. The range Committee to have full powers.
Passed.

The Secretary was instructed, on motion of Gerrish to write Mr. Binney and inform him that his application for Range Keeper has been accepted subject to terms to be made by the Range Committee.

Adjourned at 7:20 P.M.
Malcolm T. Partridge
Secretary

December 20, 1921.

Place Room 714, 6 Beacon St., Bston. Called to order at 6:25 P.M.

In Chair President Fennell.

Present 10 Bickford, Bills, Bennett, Harding, Fennell, Gerrish, Gibbons, Partridge, Sipprelle and Whipple.

Minutes Minutes of last meeting read & accepted.

Resignation Honorary Member The resignation of Jerome E. Lynch was read and accepted. Voted to make Mr. Lynch an Honorary Member. Gerrish – Bickford – Passed.

Nominating Committee The chair appointed a Nominating Committee as follows: Bills, Gerrish & Sipprelle.

Shinner Committee The chair appointed a Shinner Committee as follows: Bennett, Bickford & Partridge

Legislation Matters Voted to have Nash continue to handle legislative matters for M. R. A. as heretofore.

Adjourned at 6:45 P.M.
Malcolm F. Partridge
Secretary

Jan 10. 1922

Place Room U. Boston City Club. Called to order by

In Chair vice-Pres. Merrill.

Present 16

Election of President Mr. Kelley moved that Secretary cast one ballot for W. E. Fennell, so voted.

President Fin Chair Moved by Mr. Gerrish, seconded by Mr Sipprelle that Mr. Binney be ~~elected~~ appointed Statistical Officer. ~~Passed~~. so voted

Moved that Mr. Bills be re appointed as Executive officer. ~~So passed~~. so voted

Motion of Mr. Gerrish. seconded by Mr. Merrill that Mr. Sipprelle be appointed as our Counselor. ~~Passed~~ so voted

Reading of Resignation of Chester H. Hosmer Accepted

Reading of communication from E. D. Squires Secretary instructed to write Mr Squires that Range Keeper to take place of retiring range Keeper has already been appointed

Reading of bill of M. F. Partridge. moved that Treasurer be instructed to pay the same.

Motion of Major Hinman that at next meeting of Board of Directors President present report of Standing Committees appointed.

Jan 10. 1922

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At suggestion of Dr Bell, made into motion and seconded by Mr Bennett, it was voted that a committee be appointed to draw an appropriate resolution to be forwarded to family of Mr. Busfield.

President Fennell appointed as that com. Dr. Bell, Harry H Bennett and Daniel Fox.

Meeting adjourned and merged into annual meeting

Respectfully submitted
Henry M Binney
Secretary Pro tem.

March 4 - 1922

Place Room 714 - 6 Beacon St. Called to order
In Chair by Prest. Fennell 6.40 P.M.

Present 7. Fennell Gerrish Gibbons Sipprelle
Dr. Bastey Davis Whipple

Committees appointed by the President for 1922

Executive 5. Gerrish Bills Gibbons Davis Fennell

Finance Sipprelle Beckford Whipple

Long Range Gerrish Gibbons Dr. Bastey 500 - 600 - 1000

Membership Darling Gibbons Sipprelle

Miniature Binney Gibbons Gerrish

Offhand Fitz Kelly Maj Kinman

Pistol Dr. Bastey Davis Darling

Prize and Match. Gerrish Gibbons Fennell Dr. Bastey Davis

Range Bills Gerrish Gibbons

Traps Bills Dr Bastey Sipprelle

Motion by Whipple seconded by Dr Bastey that the Range Committee be authorized to expend any money remaining of the 1921 appropriation - so voted

Motion by Gerrish sec by Dr. Bastey to affiliate with the N. R A for 1922 so voted

Mch 4 - 1922 Contd -

Resignation of T. J. Herron, Wm E. Patten
read and accepted

The question of shooting charges was laid upon the table until next meeting upon motion of Gerish sec by Davis, so voted

Next meeting to be called Apl 4-22 6 P.M.

Motion to adjourn by Gerish sec Gibbons 8 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted
F. E. Whipple Sec

April 4 - 1922

Place — Room 714 #6 Beacon St Boston
Called to order 6.20 P.M. by

In Chair — Pres - Fennell

Present 10 — Bickford Fitz Bills, Gibbons Bennett Darling Gerish Fennell ~~and~~ Sipprelle and Whipple

Range — Range Committee reported about $300.00 on hand from 1921 appropiation

Shooting Charges — Moved by Bennett seconded by Gerish to continue 1921 conditions
so voted

Civilian Team — Moved by Darling sec by Bickford that upon request of Capt of Civilian Team the shooting charge should be $5.00 per day, one target at each range, no markers furnished
so voted

Motion to adjourn 8.10 P.M.

F. E. Whipple Sec

Boston June 9 - 1922

Place - 7 Merchants Row
Called to order 7.30 by
Chair - Pres Fennell

Present - Bennett, Bills, Fennell, Darling, Gibbons, Gerrish, Whipple.

Resignation of L H Clough read and accepted

Match - Match Committee to arrange a match for the 22 and 30 cal for the 17th June also a recentry match for the 22 to close Labor Day Sept 4/22

Letter C W Kinman - Appointment by the Chair of a Committee to write a suitable letter to the relatives of the late Maj. C. W. Kinman

Committee appointed Mr Harry Bennett and Mr John Kelley.

Motion to adjourn

F. E. Whipple Sec

New Members - Voted Charles C Coleman age 40 years address 30 Court St c/o U S Trust Co Boston
George C. Crocker Jr age 29 address 366 Commonwealth Ave Boston
admitted to membership in M. R. A.
Mr Crocker dues to be paid later guaranteed by Mr Harry Bennett

Boston July 28/ 1922

Place - 7 Merchants Row

Present 9 - Gerrish Bills Fitz Gibbons Darling Sippell Fennell Bennett Whipple

Chair - Pres - Fennell

Unfinished Business - none

Motion
To take up with Mr N C Nash Jr. regarding the Rifle and effects of the late Maj C. W. Kinman
- so voted -

U. S. R. A.

Question of letting signs for bill posting to be erected near the 1000 yd butts.

Motion by Whipple seconded by Darling for Sippell be appointed a committee of one to have charge of the advertising business of the M. R. A
- so voted -

The above mentioned signs privileges not to be let for less than $50.00 per year - so voted -

Fixed Day. to be Sept 16 and 17th -

Motion to adjourn by O. E. Gerrish sec by Darling - so voted -

Respt. submitted
F. E. Whipple Sec

Boston Oct. 13/22

Place 7 Merchants Row
Called to order 7.30 P.M.

In Chair Pres - Fennell

Present Darling Gibbons Sipprelle Davis
Gerrish Fennell and Whipple

Membership The Secretary instructed to cast one ballot
for election to membership of

William H Heintz 33 U.S.N.H.
531 High St. West Medford Mass

L C C Kimball 42 U S N H
221 Cambridge Rd Woburn Mass
the above memberships to cover year 1923

Harry R. Marshall dropped from
membership for none payment of dues

Honarary Member

Motion to adj. 8.30

Respect. Submitted
F. E. Whipple Sec

Boston Nov. 15/1922

Place 54 Dorchester Ave So Boston
Called to order 7.15 P.M.

In Chair Pres - Fennell

Present Souther Gibbons Bennett Gerrish
Dr Bosley Darling Beckford and
Whipple

Affiliate - Moved by Gerrish Sec - Bennett to
Affiliate with N R A.
So voted

Committee Appointment by Chair of a
nominating committee for the
ensuing year. Gerrish, Darling
and Whipple

Committee appointed to arrange for the
Annual meeting and Dinner
on Jan. 9th 1923 at City Club
Bennett and Darling

Adjourned 8.10 P.M.

Respect Submitted
F. E. Whipple
Sec

Jan 9 - 1923

Place Room O. Boston City Club

In Chair Vice Pres. Merrill 8. P.M.

Present 15

Election of President Mr. J E Kelley was elected President for 1923

President Kelley in Chair. Moved by Cerrish sec by Fennell that the Secretary cast one ballot for H M Binney for Executive officer - so voted

Moved by Cerrish sec by Bastey that H M Binney be re-elected Statistical officer so voted

Moved by Bennett sec by Bastey that N. Perry Sippelle be re-elected our Councillor - so voted

Moved by Dr. Bastey sec by Cerrish that N. P. Sippelle be appointed Legislative Agent - so voted

Remarks by Mr Sippelle on firearms bills now pending before the Legislature

Moved by Bennett sec Darling the M R A indorse bill # now before the Legislature and to pay any expenses necessary to further this bill So voted

A vote of confidence was extended

to Mr Sippelle covering Legislature matters he may undertake

A vote of thanks was given to W. E Fennell for Trophy Cup presented by him and shot for year of 1922

Meeting adjourned 9 10 P.M.

Respect submitted
F. E. Whipple sec

M. R. A. Board of Directors meeting. Jan. 22, 1923.

Place — Office of N. P. Sippelle Room 232, Tremont Bldg. Boston, Mass.

In Chair — Pres. Kelley. Meeting called to order 6-10 P.M.

Present — Kelley, Binney, Fitz, Darling, Sippelle, Whipple, Gerrish, Gibbons + Davis.

Minutes — of last meeting read and accepted.

Resignations — read of E. S. Randall and A. A. Balch. Motion by Gerrish 2nd by Gibbons that they be accepted, so voted.

Committee — appointed by chair, Gerrish, Sippelle and Davis to nominate standing committees for 1923. Committee reported as follows:-

Standing Committees for 1923.

Executive - Gerrish, Bills, Davis, Fennell, Kelley.
Finance - Sippelle, Beckford, Whipple.
Range - Whipple, Gibbons, Binney.
Prize + Match - " " "
Membership - Darling, Sippelle, Bennett.
Small Bore - Binney, Gibbons, Gerrish.
Off Hand - Bennett, Whipple, Fitz.
Pistol - Davis, Dr. Basley, Darling.
Long Range - Dr. Basley, Gibbons, Gerrish.
Traps - Bills, Dr. Basley, Kelley.

On motion of Gerrish 2nd by Sippelle report was accepted and nominees declared elected.

Reduce number of Directors — Remarks by chair on advisability of reducing number of directors, general discussion.

1000 yd Range — General discussion concerning repair of 1000 yd. range. No action taken.

Shooting fees — Motion by Whipple 2nd by Fitz that system used in 1922, for collection of shooting fees be continued in 1923. So voted.

Traps — General discussion concerning repair of old trap shelter and perhaps laying out new grounds. No action taken.

Motion by Gerrish 2nd by Sippelle that we adjourn, so voted 7-00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted
Edgar W. Davis
Sec.

M. R. A. Board of Directors meeting Apr. 3, 1923.

Place — Office of N. P. Sippelle, Rm 232, Tremont Bldg. Boston Mass.

In Chair — Pres. Kelley. Meeting called to order 6-10 P.M.

Present — Kelley, Gibbons, Gerrish, Dr. Basley, Coleman, Binney, Fennell, Sippelle, Bennett, Darling, Whipple & Davis.

Minutes — of last meeting read and accepted.

Resignation — of C. M. Wilder read. Moved by Gerrish, 2nd by Binney that it be accepted. So voted.

Off Hand — General discussion concerning off hand medal match. Referred to Prize + Match Committee.

Victory Medal — General discussion on advisability of using Victory Medal as a prize to be shot for, in other than rifle matches, followed by Motion by Dr. Basley, 2nd by Coleman, that Victory Medal be used in medal matches to typify highest excellence with any arm, conditions to be set by Prize + Match Committee. So voted.

Creedmoor Trophy Match — Discussion on awarding other prizes than Creedmoor Trophy in Creedmoor Trophy Match. Referred to Prize + Match Committee.

Motion by Gerrish, 2nd by Gibbons that we adjourn, so voted 7-30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted Edgar W. Davis Sec.

M.R.A. Board of Directors Meeting Apr. 17, 1923.

Place — Range of B. R. & R. Club. 54 Dorchester Ave. So. Boston.

In Chair — C. E. Gerrish. Meeting called to order 7-55 P.M.

Present — Gerrish, Bills, Gibbons, Fennell, Coleman & Davis.

Minutes — of last meeting read and accepted.

Applications for Membership — Sec. was instructed to cast one ballot for election to membership of

George M. Weeks
63 Pierce St. Malden, Mass.

Meeting adjourned 8-00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted
Edgar W. Davis Sec.

M.R.A. Board of Directors Meeting June 22, 1923.

Place — Range of B. R. & R. Club, 54 Dorchester Ave. So. Boston.

In Chair — Pres. Kelley. Meeting called to order 6-00 P.M.

Present — Kelley, Dr. Bosley, Coleman, Gerrish, Binney, Gibbons, Davis.

Minutes — Reading of minutes of last meeting were omitted.

Membership — Dr. Bosley moved 2nd by Gerrish that Sec. cast one ballot for following to be elected to membership in M.R.A.

Howard Noble	117 Youle St. Melrose Mass.
John S. Pfeil	24 Milk St. Boston Mass.
Robt F. Fitz	Beach Bluff Mass.
Walter R. Palm	429 Adams St. Dorchester Mass.

so voted

Resignation of Treasurer. — Resignation of W. L. Darling as treasurer read and accepted on motion of Dr. Bosley 2nd by Gerrish.

Election of Treasurer. — Moved by Dr. Bosley 2nd by Gerrish ~~that~~ Charles H. Coleman be elected treasurer, so voted.

Sympathy. — On motion of Dr. Bosley 2nd by Gerrish secretary was instructed to write letter of sympathy to widow of late Dr. Louis Bell.

Victory Medal. — Moved by Dr. Bosley 2nd by Binney that a shooter can win only one victory medal but will receive a bar to attach to medal for required scores with any other arm after having first won the medal, conditions of match not otherwise changed. so voted

Bill for Flowers. — Moved by Binney 2nd by Gibbons, that treas be directed to pay bill for flowers for late Dr. Louis Bell. so voted

Adjourned 6-28 P.M.
Respectfully Submitted
Edgar W. Davis
Sec. M.R.A.

M.R.A. Board of Directors Meeting Aug. 9, 1923.

Place — Range of B. R. & R. Club. 54 Dorchester Ave. So. Boston

In Chair — C. E. Gerrish. Meeting called to order 6-20 P.M.

Present — Fennell, Coleman, Whipple, Gerrish, Sippelle, Bennett, Davis.

Conditions at Range. — General discussion on conditions at Walnut Hill range.

Settlement with Binney — Motion by Whipple 2nd by Fennell that treasurer and one assistant are empowered to settle with Mr. Binney. So voted.

Membership — Bennett moved, 2nd by Whipple that secretary cast one ballot for following to be elected as members of M.R.A. So voted

Thos. J. Kirk 133 Grant Ave. Medford Mass.
Ashley E. Zwicker 12 Fairmont St. Arlington Mass.

Adjourned 8-46 P.M.
Respectfully submitted
Edgar W. Davis Sec.

M. R. A. Board of Directors Meeting Sept. 28, 1923.

Place — Range of B. R. + R. Club, 54 Dorchester Ave. So. Boston.

In Chair. — O. E. Gerrish — meeting called to order 6-50 P.M.

Present. — Bills, Gerrish, Lee, Bastey, Whipple, Gibbons, Souther, Dains.

Membership. — Motion by Bills, 2nd by Whipple that the following be elected members of M. R. A.

Albert P. Danforth
252 Mass. Ave. Arlington.

Harold J. Mitchell
255 Atlantic Ave. Boston.

So voted.

Range Keeper. — Motion by Bills, 2nd by Whipple that Mr. Lee act as range keeper as long as services are satisfactory.

So voted.

Adjourned 7-15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

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A meeting of the Board of Directors was held at 54 Dorchester Avenue on January 8, 1924, with President Kelley in the chair. There were present Bastey, Bennett, Bills, Coleman, Fennell, Gerrish, Gibbons, Sipprelle, Souther and Whipple. The name of Robert E. Gibson was proposed for membership. Mr. Gerrish moved that the secretary cast one vote seconded by Mr. Whipple so ordered. The following committee was appointed to submit candidates for the coming election also to arrange for the annual meeting and dinner: Bennett, Coleman and Gibbons. ~~It was~~ decided to hold the annual meeting on January 22 at 6 o'clock, and there was also some discussion as to the advisability of allowing the Everett Gun Club to use our grounds at Walnut Hill, and the following committee was appointed to investigate the matter and report: Gibbons, Fennell and Whipple.

H W Bennett
acting Secy

Meeting of Directors at 54 Dorchester Ave. Jan. 6th 1925
President Bennett in chair. 7.30 P.M.
Members present - Bastey - Beckford - Brunton - Chase - Gerrish - Greer - Moore - Sipprelle - Whipple.
A letter was read from David C. McNeill of Beverly regarding an Outdoor League. Motion made by Moore seconded by Whipple that Secretary write Mr McNeill regarding meeting and refer him to Mr. Bennett as to place of meeting. Motion carried.
Motion by Beckford, seconded by Chase that Pres. Bennett and one other appointed by him attend above meeting. Mr. Gerrish appointed.
It was reported by Mr. Moore that Guy L. Millett had passed away, and motion made by Beckford, seconded by Gerrish was passed that Secretary write letter of condolence to Mrs. Millett.

Mr. Beckford offered a prize for a match to be held at the discretion of the Range Committee. Thee offer was gratefully accepted.

A motion made by Beckford, sec. by Bastey, that Range Com. also act as Prize & Match Com. was passed.

Discussion of duties of Range Keeper. This matter was referred to Range Com. for adjustment.

Committees for 1925 - presented by President, were approved

Finance -	J. L. Bastey	Executive -	J. E. Kelley.
	F. S. Beckford		W. E. Fennell
	W. L. Darling.		J. E. Greer
Range -	C. A. Moore		F. C. Fitz
	O. E. Gerrish		O. E. Gerrish.
	C. G. Bills	Trap Shooting -	F. E. Whipple
Membership	C. G. Bills		H. R. Brunton
	H. R. Brunton		W. E. Fennell
	C. A. Chase.		

Solicitor - N. B. Sipprelle
Statistical Officer - F. E. Whipple
Executive " C. A. Moore.

Meeting adjourned 8.25 P.M.
H. S. Gibbons - Secretary

A meeting of the Directors was held Mar. 3rd, 1925 at Cottrell's, 75 Brattle St. with supper at 6.00 P.M. Business meeting called to order at 7.05, Pres. Bennett in chair.
Members present - Bastey - Bills - Beckford - Gerrish - Fitz - Coleman - Fennell - Whipple - Gibbons - Moore

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

A letter was read from Mr. McNeill of Beverly, Sec. Treas. of the Eastern Mass. Rifle League, and also a copy of the Bylaws and schedule.

A motion by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Fitz, was approved, that Mr. McNeill be invited to meet a committee of the Directors, and give further detail as to the schedule of the League. The Secretary to confer with him as to date of meeting.
The Range Com. also Whipple & Gibbons to form above com.

A motion by Moore, seconded by Gerrish, was passed that no target boys be hired before dinner on Sundays except on special occasions.
Members shooting before that hour to mark for themselves.

A motion by Bastey, seconded by Coleman, was passed that Range Com. enforce rules regarding loaded guns and indiscriminate shooting on the Range.

The question of repairing roof of Clubhouse postponed.

Mr. Fennell brought the question of restoring the original Victory Medal. Mr Fennell moved that Prize & Match Com. with two other members be instructed to formulate plan for financing; the motion, sec. by Mr. Bastey, was passed. Bastey and Fennell to serve with the committee.
Adjourned 8.35 P.M.

H. S. Gibbons.
Secretary

Meeting of Directors held at Cottrells - Apr. 7 - 1925 - 6.00 P.M.
After dinner, meeting was called to order by Secretary.
In the absence of the President, Mr. Coleman was chosen as chairman.
Members present; Bastey - Beckford - Coleman - Fennell - Gerrish - Gibbons - Whipple - Sipprelle.

Resignation of C. W. Taylor read and accepted.

Applications for membership were presented for Howard J. Noble and L. W. Hayes. Voted that Secretary cast one ballot favorable to the above applications.

After discussion, the question of repairing roof of clubhouse was postponed. Meeting adjourned 7-20 P.M.
W. S. Gibbons, Secretary.

Meeting of Directors held at Cottrell's May 5th. 1925
Business meeting called at 6.45 - Pres. Bennett in chair.
Directors present - Moore - Gerrish - Coleman - Greer - Gibbons.
Secretary's report read and accepted.
After remarks by Treas. Coleman on condition of treasury, Mr. Gerrish moved, and Mr. Moore seconded, that the roof of clubhouse be repaired, the cost not to exceed $100.00, Motion carried.

Owing to the change of residence of Mr. Bills of the Range Com., the President appointed Mr. Gibbons to serve in his place for the rest of the year.

It was reported that Mr. J. E. Kelley was very seriously ill. Mr. Coleman moved, sec. by Gerrish, that Mr. Kelley be made an honorary member for the year without dues. Motion unanimously adopted.

Mr. Moore reported a letter from N. G. Wood & Sons regarding cost of dies, material, etc. for original Victory Medal. No action taken.
Adjourned 7.40 P.M. W. S. Gibbons. Sec.

Meeting of Directors held at Mr. Sipprelle's Office Sept. 11th. 1925
Pres. Bennett in chair. Members present - Beckford Bills; Brunton, Moore, Fennell, Gerrish, Sipprelle.
Report of Secretary read and approved.
The chief subject of discussion was the question of letting part of the land at Walnut Hill for farming purposes.
After considerable argument the motion was made by Mr. Beckford, and seconded by Mr. Sipprelle, that the Club lease a portion of the land, at a rental of one hundred dollars per year, under a lease properly drawn by Mr. Sipprelle.
The motion was carried. A committee, consisting of Moore, Gerrish and Sipprelle, was appointed to attend to the transaction.
The application for membership of Augustus Peter Lambert ~~for~~ was read and approved.
There followed a discussion of the duties of Target Boys. This matter was referred to Range Com.
Meeting adjourned at 8.20 P.M.
W. S. Gibbons, Secretary

5.30 P.M. Meeting of Directors held at Mr. Fennell's Office Feb. 12, 1926
Pres. Gerrish in chair. Members present - Beckford, Bennett, Davis, Gibbons, Greer, Fennell, Souther, Whipple.
List of Committees appointed by the President for 1926 read and approved. It was reported that mortgagee desired to have mortgage on range property cancelled.
This was referred to ~~Range~~ Finance Com.
The Range Com. was directed to look over the Range Property regarding repairs for the coming season, and report to Finance Com.
A motion was made by Mr. Fennell that Range Com. with the President confer with Mr. Lee regarding his duties as Range Keeper. Motion passed.
Adjourned 6.00 P.M.
Mr. Fennell moved that Sec. write to Sec. of the Everett Gun Club, regarding possible use of land at Walnut Hill for Trap Shooting. W. S. Gibbons Sec.

Meeting of Directors held April 9th 1926, 7.30 P.M
at 54 Dorchester Ave. Pres. Gerrish in chair.
Members present - Bastey, Beckford, Brunton, Bennett
Coleman, Fitz, Bills, Darling, Lunt, Greer,
Whipple, Davis.
Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
Report of Prize & Match Com. made by Dr. Brunton.
Report of Range Com. made by Dr. Brunton.
A motion was made and seconded that Range Com.
be authorized to arrange and build target
frames at fifty and one hundred yards. Passed.
The Finance Com. reported that satisfactory arrangements were being made to take care of mortgage.
It was moved and seconded that Rang Com.
make further investigtion into necessary repairs
on Pistol Range. Passed.
A motion was made and seconded that bench
rest shooting be abolished in all matches except
when specified by Prize & Match Com.
Meeting adjourned 8.40 P.M.
W. S. Gibbons. Sec.

Meeting of Directors held at Mr. Fennell's Office
June 25th. - 6.00 P.M.
Pres. Gerrish in chair. Members present - Bastey,
Beckford, Brunton, Davis, Fennell, Gibbons.
Complete motion in Letter File
A motion was made by Mr. Davis that the
Board ratify Mr. Sipprelle's motion regarding
transfer of mortgage on Walnut Hill range.
Seconded by Dr. Bastey and passed.
Applications for membership were presented
from I. H. Richardson, R. G. Bullock, H. G. Keene,
and Robert Gordon.
On motion made and seconded, it was voted
that Secretary cast one ballot in favor of the
above applicants, and they were elected.
Meeting adjourned 6.30 P.M.
W. S. Gibbons. Sec.

Directors Meeting held Dec. 3rd, 1926 5.45 P.M.
at Mr. Fennell's Office. 38 South Market St.
Pres. Gerrish in chair. Members present - Bastey,
Beckford, Brunton, Coleman, Souther, Davis, Darling,
Fennell, Gibbons.
The resignation of Mr. C. H. Tyler was read and accepted.
Applications for membership were presented from
C. A. Hutton and Francis Ellison. On motion
of Mr. Darling, duly seconded, the Secretary was
instructed to cast one ballot in favor.
Motion of Mr. Darling, seconded by Mr. Beckford,
that bill of Mr. Anderson for work on
Pistol Range should be paid. So voted.
A long discussion followed regarding the
advisability of allowing the Marine Corps at
Charlestown the use of the Range in 1927.
No definate plan could be agreed on, and it
was voted that the matter be dropped, but
with the idea that a committee, headed by
Dr. Brunton, should try to get further
information. Meeting adjourned 7.25 P.M.
W. S. Gibbons. Sec.

P.S. A communication from Mr. Sipprelle was read
regarding court proceedings against the M.R.A.
June 24, 1910 and carried along from time to
time. Agreement made to discontinue certain
See complete letter in file
targets, and for "want of prosecution" the
case was dismissed by the Court in 1924.
Mr. Sipprelle's opinion now is that the Club
can use the Range in any way that they
see fit, provided that it is reasonable
and proper. W. S. G.

Meeting of Directors held Jan. 7th. 1927, 5.30 P.M.
at Mr. Fennell's Office, 38 South Market St. Boston
Pres. Gerrish in chair, and the following members present -
Bastey, Beckford, Bennett, Brunton, Coleman,
Davis, Fennell, Souther, Whipple.
Motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Dr. Brunton,
that Annual Meeting be held at City Club, Wed.
Jan. 26th. Motion carried.
It was voted on motion of Mr. Beckford, sec. by
Dr. Brunton, that Mr. Bennett be a committee of one
to arrange for the Annual dinner.
The following were appointed by the President
to serve as a nominating committee,
Messrs. Coleman, Beckford and Whipple.
A motion was made by Dr. Brunton, seconded by
Mr. Bennett, that Mr. Greer make repairs on roof
at east end of Clubhouse at Walnut Hill, and also
other parts of roof most needing repairs, total
expenditure not to exceed $100. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned 6.13 P.M.

Edgar H. Davis
Entered by H.S. Gibbons. Sec. Sec. Pro. Tem.

Meeting of Directors held April 1st, 1927, 5.30 P.M.
at Mr. Fennell's Office, 38 South Market St. Boston
Pres. Darling in chair. Present - Bastey, Brunton, Bennett
Coleman, Danforth, Davis, Fitz, Gerrish, Gibson, Moore, Fennell.
Records of last meeting read and approved.
The application for membership of Truman Hayes read and accepted.
A list of committees for 1927 was presented by the President,
and with slight changes was approved.
On motion of Mr. Gerrish, seconded by Mr. Fennell, the
Range Committee was authorized to make most
necessary repairs at the range, expenditure not
to exceed $50. The Treasurer reported the resignation
of H. H. Haskell and the death of Frank S. Pecker
Meeting adjourned 6.30 P.M. H. S. Gibbons
Sec.

Meeting of Directors held July 8th. 1927, 5.45 P.M.
at 38 South Market St.
Pres. Darling in chair. Members present - Bastey
Beckford, Bennett, Brunton, Coleman, Davis

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in a list of Officers for 1928.
Messrs. Fennell, Gibson and Moore were appointed
as a committee to arrange for the annual meeting
and dinner to be held Jan. 25th. 1928.
Adjourned 6.05 P.M. H. S. Gibbons, Sec.

Meeting of Directors held Jan. 7th. 1927, 5.30 P.M.
at Mr. Fennell's Office, 38 South Market St. Boston
Pres. Gerrish in chair, and the following members present-
Bartey, Beckford, Bennett, Brunton, Coleman,

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to exceed $50. The Treasurer reported the resignation
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Meeting adjourned 6.30 P.M. W. S. Gibbons
Sec.

Meeting of Directors held July 8th. 1927, 5.45 P.M.
at 38 South Market St.
Pres. Darling in chair. Members present - Bartey
Beckford, Bennett, Brunton, Coleman, Davis
Fennell, Gibbons, Reading of records omitted.
Applications for membership were read from
Wm. J. Le Pearl, Paul H. Richard, Joseph Shedd
and James P. Drumgoole. All were accepted.
The resignation of W. E. Schevill was read and accepted
The D course was decided upon for rifle
qualifications for 1927. Adjourned - 6.05 P.M.
W. S. Gibbons. Sec.

Directors meeting held Sept. 30, 1927 - 5.45 P.M
at Mr. Fennell's Office. 38 South Market St.
Pres. Darling in chair. Directors present, Bartey,
Brunton, Davis, Fennell, Gerrish, Greer, Fitz,
Whipple, Gibbons.
The following names were read for membership,
and favorably acted upon - Asa C. Deming,
Wm. L. Deming, Robert C. Harper,
Frank R. Gleason, Philip H. Ripley
Richard J. Dwyer, and Thomas C. Lampee.
Adjourned 6.15 P.M. W. S. Gibbons, Sec.

Meeting of Directors held Dec. 30th, 1927, 5.30 P.M.
at Mr. Fennell's Office, 38 South Market St.
Pres. Darling in chair. Members present —
Beckford, Brunton, Coleman, Davis, Fennell.
Gerrish, Greer, Gibson, Moore,
Alick Grant Richardson was elected to membership.
The President appointed Messrs. Gerrish, Coleman
and Beckford as a nominating committee to bring
in a list of Officers for 1928.
Messrs. Fennell, Gibson and Moore were appointed
as a committee to arrange for the annual meeting
and dinner to be held Jan. 25th, 1928.
Adjourned 6.05 P.M. W. S. Gibbons, Sec.

Director's Meeting, Mar. 16, 1928 at 12 Pitts St.
Pres. Beckford in chair - Members present - Bills, Davis, Gibson, Harper, Danforth, Ripley, Fennell, Moore, Whipple,
The records of the last meeting were read and approved.
Applications for membership were presented from Robert S. Stearns, Jr. and Walter C. Tobie.
The Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot in favor.
The resignations of H. R. Brunton as Vice President, and W. L. Darling as Director were read and accepted.
On motion of Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr Gibson, F. E. Whipple was elected to serve as Vice President.
O. E. Gerrish and R. J. Dwyer were elected to fill vacancies in Board of Directors.
On motion of Mr. Moore - W. P. Sipprelle was elected Counsellor
" " " " " R. E. Gibson " " Ex. Officer
" " " " " A. P. Danforth " " Stat. "
The following committees were appointed for 1928
Finance Com. - Moore - Fennell - Beckford.
Range - Prize & Match - Gibson, Green, Harper.
Membership - Bills, Davis, Gerrish.
Executive - Bennett, Coleman, Fitz, Gibbons
Trap Com - was laid over until next meeting.
Voted that Prize and Match Com. assisted by Mr. Fennell proceed to have the Die for the Victory Medal made up by W. G. Wood & Sons.
Voted on motion of Mr. Fennell that Prize & Match Com. confer with Directors on necessary scores in competing for Victory Medal.
Voted on motion of Mr. Moore, sec. by Mr. Gibson - that Range Com. report at next meeting on necessary repairs at Range.
Voted on motion of Mr. Davis, sec. by Mr. Ripley that Range Com. confer with Mr. Davies, representing a group of trapshooters, and find out their desires regarding membership, space for shooting, etc. -
Voted to call next meeting on March 30th.

W. S. Gibbons -
Secretary

Director's Meeting, March 30, 1928 at 50 Federal St. 5.45 P.M.
Pres. Beckford in chair. Members present - Bastey, Davis, Fennell, Dwyer, Gerrish, Coleman, Gibson, Moore, Ripley, Harper, Danforth, Gibbons.
Records of last meeting read and approved.
It was voted to reimburse the Committee on Annual Dinner for deficit of $6.08
Mr. Gibson reported for the Range Com. on necessary repairs at Range.
It was voted on motion of Mr. Moore, sec. by Mr. Ripley that Range Com. be authorized to expend $100 on repairing road leading in to the Range.
On motion of Mr. Moore, sec. by Mr. Dwyer, it was voted to appropriate $100 for repairing butts, the 200 yard to be repaired first, the 500 next, and the 300 next.
Mr. Gibson reported on group of men who wish to join the M. R. A., with the object in view of building a Skeet Field for Trapshooting.
After a long discussion, Mr. Gibson, sec. by Gerrish, presented a motion for favorable action on fourteen applications for membership, An amendment was offered by Mr. Moore that these men come in with the understanding that Skeet Field be built at their own expense, and in place and manner approved by Range Committee.
The motion, and as amended, was lost.
The Range Com. reported a complete list of scores to be shot at various ranges for the Victory Medal.
These were accepted, with the added stipulation that a member must make up the cost of Medal won by him, if not already paid for in targets.
The President, with the approval of the Board, designated the D Course for qualification with the rifle during 1928.

Meeting adjourned 8.00 P.M.
W. S. Gibbons - Sec.

Directors Meeting May 11, 1928 at Board Room. 5.30 P.M. 50 Federal St.
Pres. Beckford in chair. Directors present, - Gibson -
Harper - Dwyer - Davis - Gerrish - Coleman - Danforth.
Under unfinished business, the Trap Shooting Com. was
appointed - R.C. Harper, A.G. Richardson, F.C. Whipple
Four applications were read and Secretary was instructed
to cast one ballot in favor.
It was voted, on motion of Mr. Davis, sec. by Mr. Gibson
that Prize & Match Com. be advised to use the National
Match course for the 45 Cal. Auto. and to make scores
suitable for the Victory Medal
Mr. Davis moved, sec. by Mr. Coleman that the P. & M. Com
be advised to use the National Match Course for Rating Medals
Match, and also any other match covered by same course.
A letter was read from Prof. Hosmer, regarding complaint
made by a resident near the Range. Referred to Range Com
Directors voted to give Mr. Gibson full authority to
make changes in position of Range-keeper
Voted to pay Florist bill for flowers sent to funeral of Mr. Ripley
Voted, on motion of Mr. Coleman, that floral tributes
should not exceed the sum of ten dollars.
Secretary was instructed to express their sympathy
to Mrs. Ripley in the death of her husband.
Mr. Davis moved, sec. by Dwyer, that the clause in
Victory Medal Match, regarding paying balance of cost
over and above targets fired, be stricken out, and
P. & M. Com. make scores suitable for said match
Adjourned 7.00 P.M. H S Gibbons, Sec.

Directors Meeting, Oct. 5, 1928 at 12 Pitts St. 6.00 P.M.
Mr. Davis acted as Chairman
Records of previous meeting read and approved.
It was voted on motion of Mr. Gerrish, sec. by Gibson
that action of Treasurer in paying bill for repairs
at Range, be approved.
Discussion of scores for Victory Medals followed, with
recommendations to Prize & Match Com.
Moved by Mr. Gerrish, sec. by Mr. Dwyer, the Range
Com. be authorized to install new One Pipe Furnace
in Range Keeper's House. So voted
Members present, Davis, Coleman, Gibson, Gerrish,
Gibbons, Dwyer. Adjourned 7.50 P.M.
H S Gibbons, Sec.

Director's meeting Nov. 30, 1928 at 12 Pitts St. 5.45 P.M.
Vice Pres. Whipple in chair. Members present -
Moore - Gerrish - Gibson - Davis - Dwyer - Greer - Whipple -
Records of previous meeting read and approved.
The applications for membership of John L. Webb. jr
and Harold Merrill were read and approved.
It was moved by Mr. Moore, sec. by Mr. Gerrish that
Treasurer be instructed to pay bill for furnace.
Adjourned 6.35 P.M. H S Gibbons, Secretary

Directors meeting Dec. 28, 1928 at 50 Federal St. 5.45 P.M.
Members present, Dwyer - Danforth - Gerrish - Gibson -
Whipple - Fennell - Coleman - Davis
Pres. Beckford in chair.
Records of previous meeting read and approved
The application of George Roy Smith was read
and accepted.
Messrs. Gerrish, Whipple and ~~Davis~~ Davis were appointed
as ~~a~~ nominating Com. for the annual ballot.
Gibson, Fennell & Dwyer were appointed as a Com.
to arrange for the annual meeting and dinner.
Adjourned 6.20 P.M. H. S. Gibbons, Sec.

Directors Meeting Feb. 1st, 1929 - 50 Federal St. 5.45 P.M.
Pres. Brunton in chair - Members present - - Bills
Beckford - Dwyer - Davis - Danforth - Fennell - Gibson -
Lambert - Shedd - Whipple.
Records of last meeting were omitted
The following committees were appointed and approved -
Executive Com. - Fitz - Greer - Bills - Fennell.
Finance " Coleman - Beckford - Gerrish
Range " Gibson - Greer - Harper
Membership " Shedd - Whipple - Dwyer.
Trapshooting " Lambert - Sutcliffe - Harper.
Counsellor - N. P. Sipprelle
Statistical Officer - A. P. Danforth
Executive " - R. E. Gibson
On motion of Mr. Lambert, it was voted that a committee be appointed to compile a book of rules and regulations, also to include matches - etc.
Amendment of Mr. Fennell accepted that committee of three be appointed for the purpose.
Committee appointed was - Davis - Gibson - Whipple.
They were also to submit proof at next meeting.
Adjourned 7.00 P.M. H. S. Gibbons - Sec.

Director's meeting March 15, 1929 - 50 Federal St. 5.45
Pr. Brunton in chair - members present - Beckford. Davis -
Danforth - Dwyer - Fitz - Gibson - Shedd
Records of last meeting read and approved.
Applications for membership of Walter S. Hait and Ivan Enstrom read and accepted.
Mr Davis read a list of scores made up for the Victory Medal. After motion by Mr. Gibson sec. by Mr. Dwyer, that military sights be changed to any iron sights and any rifle using the 30-06 cartridge, the list as read was accepted.
Scores for German Ring Target to be made up and added.
The resignation of Truman Hayes was read and accepted.
Mr. Beckford offered to donate a cup to be

awarded for high percentage in the Spring 22 Cal. Matches. Accepted with thanks.
Committee on rules and regulations reported that they did not have complete report. Adjourned 7.20 P.M.
H. S. Gibbons. Sec.

Director's Meeting Aug. 2. 1929 at 50 Federal St. 5.45 P.M.
Pres. Brunton in chair Members present -
Beckford, Davis, Gibson, Whipple, Gerrish
Report of previous meeting read and approved.
" on Open Shoot held July 14th read and approved
The Treasurer reported on delinquent members.
The following were dropped for non-payment of dues
H. Deming, A. Deming, Thos. Lamfee, M. Partridge. Wm. LePearl
Applications were presented and accepted of
Edward A. Zorn. John J. McDougall. Edward H. Baltzer
Meeting adjourned. 6.45 P.M.
H. S. Gibbons. Sec.

Director's meeting May 17, 1929 - 50 Federal St. Pres. Brunton in chair
Gibson - Davis - Beckford - Shedd - Lambert - Fitz - Whipple.
Records of last meeting read and approved.
Mr. Davis reported for Com. on Printing. On motion by Mr. Gibson, sec. by Fitz, it was voted that scores for Victory Medal at 200 yds be set at 225 - 233 - 240.
Mr. Lambert moved, sec. by Beckford that Committee be instructed to proceed with printing cards showing all scores - Approved
Application of Joseph T. Thomas read and accepted.
Mr. Davis moved, sec. by Lambert, to pay off $300 voted on mortgage.
In question of delinquent members, it was voted to write each one asking him to either pay up or resign.
Voted to purchase six Fire Buckets for use at Range.
Voted on motion of Mr. Davis, sec. by Shedd, to hold an open shoot on July 14th, Range Com. to make arrangements
Voted that Range Com. be authorized to repair 50 yd Pistol Butts
" " " " " to take down barn and use lumber for repairs. Adjourned 7.20
H. S. Gibbons. Sec.

Directors Meeting Dec. 20, 1929 at 50 Federal St.
Pres. Brunton in chair. Members present — Beckford, Davis, Sipprelle, Lambert.
The resignation was read and accepted of John Webb, Jr. to take effect Jan. 1st, 1930.
Mr. Beckford moved, sec. by Lambert, that the Board ratify the action of Range Com. in purchasing new trap. Approved.
Unanimous opinion was expressed that the Treasurer should discontinue insurance on barn at Range. and insurance on Club House should be placed at $2500
The following committees were appointed by the President and approved by the Directors ——
Entertainment com. for Annual Dinner - Gibson, Fennell & Dwyer
Nominating " " " Meeting - Gerrish, Davis, Whipple
Adjourned 6.25 P.M. H S Gibbons. Sec.

Directors meeting Feb. 14 th 1930 - 50 Federal St. Boston
Pres. Whipple in chair - Members present - Beckford - Dumgoole - Gibson - Gerrish - Wait - Shedd.
Records of last meeting read & approved.
Moved by Beckford. sec. by Shedd that Treasurer be authorized to purchase, for investment, one Co-op. Bank Share at $200 - so voted.
Committees were appointed for the ensuing year.
Exec. Com. - Dwyer, Wait, Beckford, Gibson
Finance " - Fennell - Coleman, Fitz.
Range " - Gibson - Brunton, Green.
Membership " - Bills - Dumgoole - Jorn.
Trap " - Sutcliffe, Harper, Lambert.
Counselor - N. P. Sipprelle
Executive Officer - R. C. Gibson
Statistical " - Joseph Shedd.
Adjourned 6.25 - H S Gibbons. Sec.

Special meeting of Board was held at Walnut Hill March 30, 1930. Vice-Pres. Gerrish presiding.
Members present - Brunton, Davis, Gibson, Lambert, Jorn, Harper, Wait, Shedd, Dumgoole
The application was read & accepted of Philip Albert Nutting.
The Secretary was instructed to send letter of condolence to Mrs. F. C. Fitz on account of the death of her husband.
H S Gibbons. Sec.

Special meeting held at Walnut Hill - Sept. 7. 1930
Dr. Brunton as chairman - eight Directors present
The following applications were accepted and approved
Dr. Albert A. Merrill - Clarence M. Murray, Jr. - Hans Von Knorr
H S Gibbons. Sec.

Special meeting held at Walnut Hill - Sept 21. 1930
Nickolas McGovern was elected to membership.
H S Gibbons. Sec.

Directors meeting held at 236 State St. Nov. 7 - 1930
Pres. Whipple in chair - Members present
Brunton, Fennell, Bills, Gerrish, Shedd. Dumgoole
Records of last meeting read and approved.
The application of H. Vittinghoff read and accepted, the membership to include the year 1931.
A motion was made by Mr. Shedd, seconded by Dr. Brunton that P. & M. Com. issue, at the first of the next season, a schedule of dates for all the regular matches during the year. So voted
A motion was made by Mr. Shedd, seconded by Gerrish, that entries be paid in matches, when member signifies intention of shooting, before match starts. So voted
On motion of Mr. Bills, sec. by Shedd, Mr. Fennell was appointed to inspect pump at dwelling house.
It was moved and seconded that a Turkey Shoot be held on Sunday preceeding Thanksgiving Day. so voted
The resignation of E. H. Baltzer was read and accepted

Adjourned 7.45
H S Gibbons
Sec.

Directors meeting held at #50 Federal St. Dec. 2. 1930
Pres. Whipple presiding - Members present
Dwyer, Gibson, Shedd, Brunton, Sipprelle, Lambert.
Wait, Drumgoole.
Records of previous meeting read and approved.
Two committees were appointed by the President
and approved by the Board.
Entertainment Com. to arrange for Annual Meeting
Dwyer - Fennell - Jorn
Nominating Com. Brunton, Beckford - Sipprelle.
It was voted that Secretary be reimbursed in the
sum of #15 for entry fees in 6 pk. # and cup donated to the
United Services Shoot during the year 1930
Meeting adjourned 6.45 P.M.
H S Gibbons. Sec.

Directors meeting held at #50 Federal St. Mar. 20. 1931
Pres. Dwyer in chair. Members present - Beckford, Brunton
Gibson - Whipple - Sipprelle - Lambert - Sutcliffe, Drumgoole -
Wait - Gerrish.
Records of last meeting read and approved
On motion of Dr. Brunton, sec. by Lambert, it was voted
to have telescope at range repaired.
The following list of committees were appointed by the
President, and approved by the Directors.

Executive Com.		Drumgoole, Fennell, Jorn, Gerrish.
Finance	"	Beckford, Coleman, Sipprelle.
Range and P. & M	"	Gibson, Wait, Brunton.
Membership	"	Shedd, Whipple, Bills.
Traps	"	Sutcliffe, Lambert, Harper.
Publicity	"	Dr. Merrill, E. W. Davis.
Executive Officer	,	R. E. Gibson
Statistical	"	H. S. Wait.
Counselor	—	A. P. Sipprelle

On motion of Dr. Brunton, sec. by Mr. Gibson, it was voted
to enter two Rifle Teams in the East. Mass. Rifle League.
and one team in the Mass. Pistol League for 1931.
Adjourned 6.55 P.M.

At a previous special meeting, the membership was
accepted of George H. Keyes, 82 Brainerd Road, Allston. Mass.
At a later special meeting, the resignation of Francis Ellison
was accepted.
H. S. Gibbons. Sec.
John G. Fall was elected to membership May 3. 1931
Pres. Dwyer presiding at Special meeting June 21. 1931
Directors present Davis - Gerrish - Wait. Jorn, Whipple
Gibson, Brunton, Lambert. Shedd.
Sheldon E. Churchill and Warren W. Bastey
were elected to membership
At special meeting July 26th. Joseph Spizio
and C. S. Bostwick were elected to membership
The resignation of H. G. C. Kimball was accepted.
H S Gibbons. Sec.

Special meeting at Walnut Hill Aug. 21 - 1932
W. B. Clough - Arthur E. Spooner and Dr. A. K. Paine
were elected to membership.
Resignations of H. Vittinghoff. L. B. Hayes and
E. O. Titus were accepted.
G. S. Morrison & R. Bullock were dropped for
non-payment of dues.
Directors meeting Jan. 27, 1933 - see next page.
Directors meeting at Walnut Hill Dec. 17. 1933
Pres. Dwyer in chair, members present Brunton. Lambert
Wait, Drumgoole. Nutting, Gibson. Gerrish.
Committees were appointed for the annual meeting
Com. on dinner - Merrill, Drumgoole, Lambert, Gibson Gerrish
" " nominations - Wait, Brunton, Nutting

Directors meeting held at #50 Federal St. Jan. 27 - 1933
Pres. Dwyer in chair. members present - Beckford - Nutting - Lambert - Gibson - Drumgoole - Whipple - Shedd - Morrill. Sec. report read & accepted.
It was moved by Mr. Beckford & sec. by Mr Shedd that the $5 Annual Range Fee be dropped and a fee of 25¢ per day for anyone using the Range be substituted. So voted
Moved by Mr. Lambert, sec. by Mr Gibson that members of immediate families be given privilege of same range fee as members. So voted.
Voted to give a medal for monthly Shot Gun match for first win, afterwards a bar.
Moved by Mr. Whipple, sec. by Mr. Nutting that proper safeguards be placed on firing points
Referred to Range Com.
The following resignations were accepted, subject to their being in good standing.
J. L. Bastey, - H. H. Bastey, - J. H. Fall - F. H. Southern
Dr. A. A. Merrill.
Qualification Course I was selected by Pres. for 1933
Committees appointed by the Pres, and approved by Directors
Exec. Com. Drumgoole - Fennell. Jor - Whipple.
Finance " Beckford - Coleman - Gerrish - Sipprelle.
Range - Prize & Match - Gibson - Wait - Brunton.
Membership - Shedd - Whipple - Morrill.
Traps - Sutcliffe - Lambert - Malley.
Publicity - Morrill - Bennett.
Exec. Officer - R. E. Gibson
Stat. " - H. S. Wait.
Counsellor - N. P. Sipprelle.

H. S. Gibbons. Sec.

Nutting shoots a perfect score = 120 June 20, '34

M. R. A.
1934

Annual Meeting of Board of Directors. held. Boston. March 2 1934.
Executive Committee.
Drumgoole, Fennell. Lambert. Whipple.

Finance Committee.
Beckford, Coleman. Sipprelle.

Membership Committee.
Drumgoole. Shedd. Whipple.

Traps:- Sutcliffe. Lambert. Malley.

Publicity. Morrill. Dwyer.

Range: Match and Prize.
Brunton, Gibson. Lambert.

Executive Officer.
R. E. Gibson
assist. R. J. Dwyer. Pistol.
assist. H. G. Keim. Small bore.

Statistical. J. Drumgoole.

Counsellor. N. P. Sipprelle. by
H. S. Wait, Secy.

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Annual meeting of the Board of Directors held, Boston, Mar 2 1934

The following committees were appointed
Executive: Drumgoole Fennell Lambert Whipple
Finance: Beckford Coleman Sippelle
Membership: Drumgoole Shedd Whipple
Traps: Antcliffe Lambert Malley
Publicity: Morrill Dwyer
Range, Match & Prize: Brunton Gibson Lambert
Executive officer: R. E. Gibson
Asst R S Dwyer Pistol
Asst H G Keene Small bore
Statistical Drumgoole
Counsel: W P Sippelle

by W S Wait Secy.
J.B.S.

hereby authorized to sign, seal, execute and deliver the above mortgage note, mortgage and all other necessary papers for the loan.

Rifle Association, Adam M. Weid.

It was then moved and seconded that Walter S. Wright, being the Treas. Rifle Assn. be authorized to make any and all necessary expenditures in obtaining the ~~[illegible]~~ in the above loan and mortgage.

Adam M. Weid.

At a duly called meeting of the Board of Directors, of the Massachusetts Rifle Association held Tuesday, May 28 1935, 6¹⁵ PM at 236 State Street Boston,

It was moved and seconded, that the Mass. Rifle Association apply to the Woburn National Bank for a loan of $500.00 (five hundred dollars) to pay the mortgage note now held by the estate of George H. + Helen M. Dike (Old Colony Trust Co. Boston Executors) and to secure the said loan by a first mortgage note on the property of the Mass. Rifle Assoc. situated off Salem St. Woburn, Mass.

and so voted.

It was then moved and seconded that Walter S. Knight President of the Mass. Rifle Assn. be hereby authorized to make all the necessary arrangements to secure the said loan to the best interests of the M.R.A.

and so ~~[illegible]~~ voted.

It was then moved and seconded that Walter S Knight, Secy of the Mass Rifle Association be

Jan. 21. 1919
Bell — Merrill. Harris. Kelley. Foster. Grosch.
Wedner. Baker. Blair. Brunell. Chase. Hinman. McAleer.
(Gyrist) 14

Pres. Bell re-elected by Sec. casting one vote
Sec also cast one vote each for same controller
executive off. + statistical off.

Voted
At Discretion of President
Call a meeting of Directors
Any other day (evening) than
1st Tuesday in Dec.

Nidaver —	75
Chase —	75
Kelley —	75
Merrill ~~Chase~~ —	75
Baker —	75
Blair —	75
	4.50

Gerrish 152 Bay St
Toronto.

~~Prize & Match comm. their discretion as to whether Turkey shoot will be held~~ & if so - Conditions and Time

Rich. Fischer
50 yrs.
580 Mass. Ave
Cambridge.
N.S. Germany.

Dr. Harold W. Dana.
37 yrs
121 Centre St
Brookline
N.S. New York.